

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair did not rule that it was not a style change, but that it was not germane to the amendments made by the Committee. Are there any amendments as to style germane to the amendments made by the Committee?

Delegate Clagett.

DELEGATE CLAGETT: Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment entitled "CC" Constitutional Convention.

THE PRESIDENT: That would be subject to the same ruling as the Chair's ruling with respect to Amendment U and the Chair would suggest that you consider amendment U and then decide whether you accept it in lieu of your amendment CC.

Are there any further amendments germane to the amendments recommended to the Committee on Style with respect to section 3.23?

The Chair hears none.

The question arises on the adoption of the amendments by the Committee on Style as to section 3.23.

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

The Clerk will ring the quorum bell.

Delegate Clagett.

DELEGATE CLAGETT: Point of order. The Committee on Style in section 3.23 with respect to the content of the amendment which I have before you as CC makes a change from the original language—

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair understands that, and your amendment will be in order. It simply is not in order at this particular moment.

The question arises on the adoption of the amendments recommended by the Committee on Style with respect to section 3.23.

A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the amendments recommended by the Committee on Style. A vote No is a vote against.

Cast your votes.

Has every delegate voted.

Delegate Boileau.

DELEGATE BOILEAU: Aye.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Boileau votes Aye.

Has every other delegate voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 99 votes in the affirmative and 10 in the negative, the motion carries. The amendments recommended by the Committee on Style with respect to section 3.23 are adopted.

Will the pages please distribute Amendment U, U for "Uncle". The Chief Page tells me that Amendment Uncle was distributed on Saturday. Please see if you have it. If you do not, please indicate and the page will bring you a copy. We do not have an unlimited supply.

This will be Amendment No. 16.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 16 as amended by Report S&D-16 to Committee Recommendation No. LB-1, LB-2, and LB-3 by Delegates Carson, Adkins, Barrick, Boyer, Boyles, Case, Eckenrode, Grant, Gullett, Neumann, Peters, Rollins, J. H. Smith, M. H. Smith, Wheatley, and Willis. On page 8 section 3.23, General Application of Laws, lines 45, 46, 47 and 48 strike out the following: "The General Assembly shall have the power, notwithstanding the limitations imposed by this section, to enact" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The limitations of this section shall not apply to."

THE PRESIDENT: The amendment is submitted by Delegate Carson and seconded by the co-sponsors. The Chair recognizes Delegate Carson.

DELEGATE CARSON: Mr. Chairman and ladies and gentlemen, the amendment offered to you is intended to be, and I consider it to be, strictly one of style. I am advised by the Chairman of the Local Government Committee that he also, after consideration, considers it purely one of style.

Chairman Penniman of the Style, Drafting and Arrangement Committee stated in response to a direct question by myself last Saturday that in line 47 on page 8, the word "notwithstanding" really should be read to mean "without" so that that sentence on page 8, line 47, really should be read to mean the "The General Assembly shall have the power, without the limitations imposed by this section, to enact laws pertaining to," and then a list of laws follows.

I suggest that the language used is cumbersome and that the language that we