

The present amendment is Amendment No. 19. Please strike out the words "To Amendment No." Amendment No. 19 to Committee Recommendation LB-1. The amendment is moved by Delegate Carson. Is it seconded?

*(Whereupon, the amendment was duly seconded.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 19 by Delegates Carson, Cardin, James and Neumann: On page 3 in Section 3.12 Legislative Session, after the period in line 9 add the following: "The General Assembly may provide by law for an increase or decrease in the ninety-day session limit, but such law shall not apply to the General Assembly which enacted it."

THE CHAIRMAN: For what purpose does Delegate Hanson rise?

DELEGATE HANSON: Mr. Chairman, a number of us received a different amendment from that which the Clerk read.

THE CHAIRMAN: Chief Page?

The other amendment is being changed and will be circulated.

Will you please hand the amendments back, which are the improper ones?

The amendment you should have is one marked in pen and ink at the top with the letters AC.

If you do not have that, just hold it up so the page can get it back from you and give you a correct amendment. The one you want is marked AC. It has four sponsors, Delegates Carson, Cardin, James and Neumann.

For what purpose does the Delegate rise?

DELEGATE STORM: I do not know which amendment was passed out. You can leave it here. I would like to read it before we talk about it.

THE CHAIRMAN: The amendment we now have is marked AC, which is not yours, Delegate Storm. We will come to yours.

DELEGATE SCHNEIDER: Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: For what purpose does Delegate Schneider arise?

DELEGATE SCHNEIDER: Mr. Chairman, this aisle respectfully requests a copy of the amendments we are going to vote on, please.

THE CHAIRMAN: The pages will please give Delegate Schneider a copy of the amendment marked AC and also any other delegates who do not have them.

Will any delegates who do not have the amendment marked AC hold their hands up? Will the pages see that these amendments are distributed quickly?

For what purpose does Delegate Bamberger arise?

DELEGATE BAMBERGER: A point of inquiry.

Our amendments do not bear that letter or mark of AC, Mr. Chairman. It would have to be identified I suppose by the names of the sponsors of it.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. I was informed that they were all marked AC.

I will ask the Clerk to read the amendment again, so that there is no question but that you have the proper amendment before you.

Does everybody now at least think he has the proper amendment?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will please read the amendment again.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 19 to Committee Recommendation LB-1 by Delegates Carson, Cardin, James and Neumann: On page 3 in section 3.12, Legislative Session, after the period in line 9 add the following: "The General Assembly may provide by law for an increase or decrease in the ninety-day session limit, but such law shall not apply to the General Assembly which enacted it."

THE CHAIRMAN: Does any delegate not have a copy of that amendment?

The Chair recognizes Delegate Carson to speak to the amendment.

DELEGATE CARSON: Mr. Chairman, fellow delegates:

The present amendment adds one sentence to section 3.12, proposed by the Committee on the Legislative Branch.

The effect of the amendment would be this, and only this: that although the 90 day session would be retained with the ability to extend it to 30 plus 30, the General Assembly could at some point provide for a session of more than 90 days. However, when it said that, it would not be for the present time, but for the future;