

1 revenue. This statement is not intended to apply to fees  
2 that are charged by the State, for services such as the  
3 University of Maryland, University Hospital, which are  
4 designed to defray the cost incurred in the area of  
5 licensing, such as the charge for a driver's permit or the  
6 charge for taking a Bar examination and things of that nature

7 "In summary, therefore, it is recommended that  
8 there be a constitutional prohibition against the State  
9 imposing fees, charges, licenses, or taxes which are  
10 primarily local in character without regard to whether they  
11 are imposed for local purposes, and which should be reserved  
12 to the local political subdivisions.

13 "Over a year ago, the City of Baltimore realized  
14 that a great deal of research was necessary in the area of  
15 local financing of State offices and services, particularly  
16 in the area of the Courts. We were most fortunate at that  
17 time in obtaining the services of a Mrs. Margaret Kostritsky,  
18 who is here with us this morning. It is my understanding  
19 that Mrs. Kostritsky has been working with the Constitutional  
20 Convention Commission in furnishing source material and  
21 otherwise assisting in the marshalling of the necessary