

1 revenue; and I would say other than the so-called ton-mile
2 tax, which the Commission also recommended -- and who is
3 our friend, the truck lobbyist on the Eastern Shore --
4 Marshall Stewart, put the kibosh on that. It never even
5 got a hearing.

6 This one proposal stirred up more antagonism
7 and trouble than anything else that the Commission recom-
8 mended and, in the broad base, the reason for it is that
9 the people who are affected say they would rather be taxed
10 by the State, where they've got one legislative body to
11 work with, than by twenty-four legislative bodies, which
12 would be the case if you left it to the local people, which
13 is a great idea. I want you to know I applaud vigorously
14 your thought, but I tell you right now, to get that adopted
15 in any way might be rough.

16 MR. HOFF: It might be easier to get it in
17 through the Constitution than through the legislature.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: It might be, Stan.

19 MR. BOND: I'm concerned with the words primarily
20 local. That bothers me, to put that in the Constitution.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: It's a tremendously tough thing to