

1 that I am not sure is in the comment that should be is
2 that the last General Assembly did consider the Niles Plan
3 piece of legislation and the Judicial Committee of the
4 Senate referred this problem by resolution to this Com-
5 mission for a recommendation to the next Legislature and
6 not to comment on which way you should decide, but regard-
7 less of what we decide this Commission should have apply
8 to that resolution. We received a formal letter. I am
9 not sure whether every Commission Member has received a
10 copy or only the Members of the Committee, but anyway,
11 this was referred to the Commission for specific action
12 and should be responded to either in our Report or separate-
13 ly with a comment as to our recommendation.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Bond?

15 MR. BOND: Mr. Chairman, I would like to say
16 this. Certainly, this is the heart of the whole Judiciary
17 Article. I am going to vote in favor of the Niles Plan,
18 but the idea, we keep hearing the words, best qualified, and
19 the answer is best qualified as judged by whom. Now, I
20 believe and feel that there is, as long as there is strong
21 feeling and as long as politics is the science of government