

1 So, it is in an effort to give a degree of
2 flexibility to the Legislature that this phrase is included
3 in the recommended language.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Judge Adkins?

5 JUDGE ADKINS: This is a very minor point, but
6 it seems to me, to say no county shall exempt itself,
7 while it may be de facto, is certainly not a jury. I
8 would suggest that no county shall be exempt.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Dr. Bard?

10 DR. BARD: Would the Committee accept the follow-
11 ing for the sentence before the last: The establishment
12 of classes shall be based upon the criteria as determined
13 by the General Assembly to be appropriate or as determined
14 by the General Assembly, period?

15 MR. MARTINEAU: You don't even need that.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Did you hear it, Mr. Clagett?

17 MR. CLAGETT: Yes, sir. Population has been
18 found to be the best means or basis of classification
19 and, consequently, that being the result of our study,
20 we have incorporated it, but I believe that if we eliminated
21 it and said, Upon such criteria as the General Assembly