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DR. LOEVY: The intent of the language is if the General Assembly is going to use population, it should be the most recent United States census. They may use other criteria, but if they are going to use population, it's the most recent United States census.

MR. MARTINEAU: I think that you are really --

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Martineau?

once you give them the power that you are giving by the second clause, you render the whole thing meaningless. I have one other comment, which is, I don't quite understand the need for the language, No county shall be exempt from any general law, where you have just provided that by the first sentence there, unless you are talking about a completely different thing and not talking about the powers of counties.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Hoff?

MR. HOFF: Query. What other criteria could be used other than population?

MR. CLAGETT: Geographical location, economic interests. There could be almost unlimited bases of

criteria. A particular industry, fishing, as distinguished