

1 the, lines of more than three contiguous Counties?

2 MR. CLAGETT: That is in Subsection (b).

3 DR. BARD: That is correct.

4 MR. CLAGETT: And with respect to Subsection
5 (b), it was thought there should be a referendum pro-
6 vided with some degree of inflexibility to boundary
7 changes, and it was thought that where a new County was
8 being created, certainly the persons residing within that
9 area of the proposed new County should be given the
10 referendum choice. Similarly, where a change of County
11 boundaries was being contemplated, it was thought that
12 the persons within the area of proposed change should
13 be given a choice. Then, the choice of three or more,
14 that is more than three was determined upon by the Com-
15 mittee as requiring a referendum of the State at large
16 because it gave a measure of protection, but a measure of
17 built-in referendum rather than the permissive referen-
18 dum provided for generally in the Constitution, and
19 there would be three; and then further, the three ties
20 in with classification where at least three Counties will
21 be included in any one classification.