

1 the Committee gap, and if you didn't do one of those
2 three things, then you didn't have the power that was
3 given in the other rule.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: I think another assumption by
5 the Committee, Mr. Clagett, was, was it not, that under
6 1, the Legislature would probably provide model forms
7 of charters and would say that if a County does not pro-
8 ceed under one of the other ways, it should automatically
9 acquire one of the charters specified by the General
10 Assembly.

11 MR. CLAGETT: That is in one of the alternative
12 approaches. Actually, the Committee felt that the limi-
13 tation of time by which a County shall be required to
14 adopt a charter form would not be excluded in our recom-
15 mended approach. If it took twelve years for the County
16 to get around to adopting a charter form of government,
17 then it will take the twelve years. There have been
18 various proposals, one of which is that if after four
19 years a County shall have failed to adopt a charter or a
20 form or structure of government to take care of the
21 effective use of the Home Rule powers, then a plan provided