

1 is so very,very,difficult that the Legislature is likely
2 to shy away from it, likely to shy away from the solu-
3 tion of it and it is bound to be an area where there
4 is going to be sharp divergencies of opinion. Take,
5 for instance, in my own area, the Baltimore Metropolitan
6 area, you have conflicting views of Baltimore County,
7 and Anne Arundel County, Baltimore City, and Howard
8 County, and perhaps even Harford County as to what should
9 be done and the pride of the people in not creating some
10 supergovernment, the jealousy about giving up any of
11 their powers.

12 I am very much afraid that if you just
13 leave the problem to the Legislature and say create
14 a regional government and define it, that it won't get
15 solved. I would prefer to see a situation where without
16 attempting to define the regional government today for
17 that area, we would provide the machinery whereby if the
18 Legislature didn't solve the problem, you could have the
19 mayor and City Council of Baltimore and the Baltimore
20 County Council and the other counties provide jointly
21 for the creation of a charter board for the Metropolitan