

1 our present conceptions of regions into the Constitution.  
2 Now are there any other questions that, policy  
3 questions that are raised between the two approaches?

4 THE CHAIRMAN: No, I don't think there  
5 are any others. I think some of these questions  
6 telescope into one another. I don't think there are  
7 as many as you indicate. As a last one, I think there  
8 is no disagreement that the determination of what the  
9 region should be is a legislative function.

10 I don't think anyone has suggested that  
11 the various local governments can determine the regions.  
12 I think this is all agreed, this is a legislative function.  
13 There is a difference as to whether they can be called  
14 into being only by the Legislature or called into being  
15 by the local governments concerned, or the people concerned.

16 MR. SYKES: I have one other question and  
17 I am through. In the Committee draft, the language is  
18 that the General Assembly can provide for counties and  
19 other civil divisions including regional governments and  
20 intergovernmental authorities. I am afraid that that  
21 language may lead to the assumption that a regional