

1 first. Then the question turns, should the people of
2 such a region be able to activate. I would favor that
3 because I don't mean it should be exclusive, I think it
4 should be activatable either by the Legislature or the
5 people because I think every now and then people in
6 public office and place get a certain vested interest
7 and there comes times when I hope would be as infrequent
8 as possible that the people must move to make a change.

9 Now this is exactly the same principle that
10 we apply with respect to the charter government in the
11 state.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Freedlander.

13 MRS. FREEDLANDER: We have had precedent
14 in the existing Constitution providing for classification
15 of cities. I am not speaking in favor of that and
16 there has been no classification of cities so you could
17 provide in the Constitution for including regional govern-
18 ment and intergovernmental authorities and never have
19 it activated and we know in the Baltimore Metropolitan
20 area that the county executives of Anne Arundel County
21 and Baltimore County and the Republican Mayor of the