it is conceivable the Legislature will not act at all.

I am in favor of a procedure enabling the counties or
the people by petition to act in the event the
Legislature does not act.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, this was the issue on the previous question.

DR, BARD: We voted against that before.
You voted against that, Dr. Jenkins.

MR. CLAGETT: Mr. Chairman, we are getting ourselves into an area of confusion.

MRS. BOTHE: I second your motion, Mr. Clagett.

MR. CIAGETT: Let me get us out of it.

Take a look at 11.01(b). In there we simply say the General Assembly may provide by law for the creation of civil divisions, including regional governments and for methods and procedures of creating, changing, and dissolving counties or other civil divisions and altering their boundaries.

So really here by the question that is before the Commission, we are getting into the operative function of the General Assembly and there is no need for

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