

1 us to get into that area because as has been clearly
2 pointed out, the General Assembly, when it starts the
3 job of creating the regional governments, can do so
4 in a number of different ways and by alternative methods.

5 Number one, it can create the government
6 and that is it or number two, providing that the
7 region itself through a charter board or through some
8 other medium can determine what the structure of that
9 regional government shall be. For us to undertake to
10 mandate that now, I believe would be a mistake and
11 there is no reason for us to do so.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Freedländer.

13 MRS. FREEDLANDER: I understand that we
14 are only giving three alternatives. In lieu of the
15 Legislature, there would be the people or the counties
16 as the staff memo says on Page No. 1.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Claggett's point is that
18 there should not be that alternative.

19 MR. GENTRY: Can I ask Mr. Claggett this
20 question, in the event the Legislature does not do this
21 activation who is going to do it?