

1 be defined by a classification?

2 MR. BROOKS: I do not think so.

3 MR. CLAGETT: I wouldn't think so either.

4 Then it would run afoul upon the restriction of the  
5 General Assembly to pass local legislation.

6 MR. BROOKS: I wouldn't think so.

7 MR. SYKES: Can I address myself to that?

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

9 MR. SYKES: This was a question I was  
10 going to raise. The power of classification in the  
11 draft, this raises another question, power classification  
12 in the draft is limited to counties. There is no  
13 limitation on the power of the General Assembly to  
14 legislate with respect to intergovernmental authorities  
15 or regions but the Legislature could take a section of  
16 Montgomery County and out of Montgomery County and add  
17 it to Howard County without changing the boundary of  
18 either county. What it would do would be to create a  
19 region consisting of one county and part of the other.  
20 It would give that region plenary governmental power,  
21 do nothing about the territories of the counties as such.