

1 In order to minimize that, the multi-county
2 civil division was one provided for in that it would
3 take the General Assembly out of the field of the
4 boundaries of the county and place it only in the
5 multi-county and dealing with problems that extend
6 beyond county lines.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: I take it that implicit in
8 that is the notion the Legislature could not create
9 either a regional government or intergovernmental
10 authority except on a multi-county basis but that the
11 county, any county, could create purely local inter-
12 governmental authorities within its boundary?

13 MRS. FREEDLANDER: Yes.

14 MR. CLAGETT: That is correct. Specifically
15 the Committee considered the possibility that without
16 such a definition, one county could become a region.
17 It was to avoid that very possibility that we went
18 to the definition of civil division as being multi-
19 county when being dealt with by the General Assembly.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: But it is also intended,
21 is it, that a county could provide an authority to