

1 alter the boundaries of a county should be subject in
2 any way to referendum. Ready for the question?

3 DR. BARD: May I clarify my motion?

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

5 DR. BARD: I think as far as creating,
6 incorporating, consolidating, merging, and dissolving
7 counties, the first sentence is all right. I would
8 agree that the General Assembly by three-fifths vote
9 of the members of each House would have the privilege
10 of bringing together counties per se. What troubles me
11 is sections of a county.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: I understand that.

13 MR. CLAGETT: I would like to clarify that.
14 That is mandatory referendum because permissive referendum
15 is implicit.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: The question arises on the
17 motion to reconsider the previous action by which the
18 Commission decided against any form of mandatory referendum
19 with respect to the power of the General Assembly to
20 create, merge, dissolve, and alter the boundaries of
21 any county. A vote in favor is a vote to reconsider this