

1 government, a method is by intergovernment authority.
2 We don't have the wisdom to decide today for all time
3 in the future in the Baltimore area and Washington area,
4 which may and probably will some day be one area, which
5 is the best method. We leave that to the Legislature.

6 We again have the further question as to
7 whether we want to leave it solely to the Legislature or
8 whether the people want to leave it solely to the Legisla-
9 ture or whether they want to say that if the Legislature
10 does not take the initiative, the county governments
11 involved or the people can take the initiative. I
12 personally would also favor that approach. But I see the
13 practicality of insisting that the various counties,
14 either the county governments, or the people within a
15 county should not have the power to chop up the state in
16 whatever regions seem to them best at the moment.

17 On purely practical grounds, I would therefore
18 favor the notion advanced by the Committee that the
19 region be defined by the Legislature simply because I
20 don't see how you can leave to the people scattered through-
21 out the state the creating of the boundaries of governmental