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1 are now proposing for 11.02(c), you intend to broaden  
2 this power of the General Assembly only to the extent of  
3 saying that it could withdraw powers from counties com-  
4 prising a region, without regard to the classification  
5 system?

6 MRS. BOTHE: Right.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: In other words, Mr. Clagett,  
8 that if the General Assembly, under Section 11.02(b),  
9 withdraws from the component counties certain powers and  
10 grants them to a region, that it is not subject to the  
11 classification requirements of 11.03(c).

12 To use a specific example, if you had five  
13 classes of counties and you created a region of Baltimore  
14 City and Baltimore County, which would not be a classifi-  
15 cation, the Legislature under this amendment could with-  
16 draw powers from Baltimore City and Baltimore County and  
17 grant them to that region.

18 MR. CLAGETT: And once it has granted them to  
19 that region, then, of course, the region would exercise  
20 those powers subject to the same power of withdrawal and  
21 you've got the General Assembly dealing in the local