

1 instruments -- I'm not phrasing this, I'm just giving
2 the intention -- as we do now with regard to -- we leave
3 some option to municipalities. Can this be strait-jacketed
4 by the General Assembly?

5 MR. CLAGETT: Does this strait-jacket the
6 General Assembly, if we provide methods and procedures
7 and those methods and procedures can include optional
8 plans?

9 DR. BURDETTE: I'm not so sure they can after
10 four years.

11 MR. CLAGETT: After four years, they won't
12 have to.

13 DR. BURDETTE: I'm not even sure.

14 MR. CLAGETT: Because then it will have become
15 effected and all counties will have an instrument of
16 government.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think you're following
18 Dr. Burdette's point, Mr. Clagett. What he is asking is
19 whether after four years, or at the end of four years, the
20 Legislature could not have provided several forms of
21 instruments of government that non-charter counties would