four-year period, that's what she's talking about.

MRS. BOTHE: I was concerned that any kind of an instrument that was adopted would preclude the imposition of the State's charter.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Scanlan?

MR. SCANLAN: I have no problem with what

Judge Adkins has suggested as an amendment. There is a

lucidity which I find lacking in the first part. Is it

the consensus of this Commission, I think I have the

Committees' views, that the phrase instrument of government used in the first part means charter and only charter

or could it mean something less than charter? Could it

mean code?

Suppose the General Assembly provided for a code county procedure and that was approved by the voters in a local --

THE CHAIRMAN: When you say code county, you don't provide a form of government. You would have to have some kind of an instrument providing a form of government.

MR. SCANLAN: But it would be less than charter.