THE CHAIRMAN: Can we come to order, please?

We will resume consideration of Section 11.04.

The matter before you is the motion of Judge Adkins to amend Section 11.04(a). The Section as it would read, if the motion is adopted, is as follows:

general law methods and procedures by which either the County by public local law or the voters of a non-charter County by petition, may enact an instrument of government subject to ratification by majority vote of the voters of the County voting thereon. The General Assembly shall provide by public general law an instrument of government which shall become effective for all Counties existing on January 1 of the fourth year following the effective date of this Constitution, which have not previously adopted a local instrument of government which has been submitted to and approved by a majority vote of the qualified voters voting thereon.

I suggest that in the light of that amendment it might be desirable now, Mr. Clagett, to strike out the words, non-charter, in the third line, as removing