

1 thought that the Commission had recommended at-large for
2 Baltimore City were throwing up their hands and saying,
3 we're going to have 200 names on the ballot. We just
4 simply can't contend with it.

5 Let me make this comment. I think it is
6 very important for us to have this discussion now and
7 be thinking about it and getting your ear to the ground,
8 so to speak. I don't think it is necessary for us to
9 take final action today on this question. We're going
10 to have a meeting on the 19th, and that would be time
11 enough to finalize the bill. One reason that I do want
12 it discussed today, however, is that, having so many
13 people insisting to us that they want to organize to
14 combat the recommendation of the Commission on district-
15 wide elections and I have been trying to dissuade that
16 by saying the Commission has not yet made its final
17 recommendation on the bill to go into the Legislature.

18 Part of this same thing that I would like
19 to have discussion about is the problem of whether the
20 Commission should indicate any views as to how
21 organizations should combine to effect the election of