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MR. MELVIN: Then if the General Assembly does enact a plan in a year, and somebody doesn't like that, then the same thing would apply?

> That is right. MR. SCANLAN:

If the governor publishes one. MR. MELVIN:

MR. SCANLAN: They didn't like that.

MR. MELVIN: They didn't like that it goes into the same proceeding, so what you are talking about