

1 I might preface the remarks very quickly by pointing out
2 this is the third or fourth go-round on the election
3 article. There is nothing new in this report, nothing
4 of substance which is new. The changes which are
5 recommended here reflect the suggestions made by the
6 Commission in Easton and hopefully at least the Committee
7 is hopeful this would be the final report. For the
8 reason that the Committee strongly feels that any further
9 changes one way or the other as we have been doing in
10 the past are going to destroy the over-all pattern and
11 over-all continuity of the article.

12 Moving in now to what is Section 4, Section
13 4 as presented previously left the question, some
14 question in the minds of the Commission, as to whether
15 or not the mental incompetency as a disqualification
16 for voting was sufficiently clear. So it was suggested
17 there and the Committee now recommends that the General
18 Assembly is to establish disqualifications for voting
19 for the reasons of mental incompetence and conviction of
20 serious crime. This would leave to the General Assembly
21 the question of whether it is an incompetence by reason