

1 I would call your attention to the fact that the  
2 legislative committee commentary supports this 15 percent  
3 figure. I would also note that in the model state Consti-  
4 tution, they called for a percentage figure and in so  
5 doing, they say the 15 percent is the maximum that should  
6 be extended.

7 So again let us fix this into the Constitution,  
8 rather than risk the future sabotage of this concept of  
9 one man-one vote.

10 Now, if any of you should have any questions as  
11 to the workability of this figure, I simply point to you  
12 the state of Michigan, where there spread from the mean  
13 totals only 4.28 percent.

14 Frankly my own personal preference is fourteen  
15 percent, but professor Winslow and I have adopted the 15  
16 percent figure because it is in line with the legislative  
17 committee commentary.

18 So in closing, I would say again, let us not  
19 abdicate to the courts the fulfillment of the goal that  
20 each man is equal, or each man's vote is equal to that of  
21 every man, every other man, regardless of his place of