

1 Commission in connection with unicameralism vs. bicameral-
 2 ism that it would be a good idea to have alternative
 3 possibilities which we would submit to the convention in
 4 our working papers and perhaps in the proposal itself.
 5 Not only with the nature of the presentation, but what
 6 shall be our views concerning what we do with it.

7 Dr. John H. Michener has already turned over to
 8 us a statement on the structure of the Maryland Legislature
 9 and we may want to go along through this and say to him
 10 take as much time as he feels that he would need to make
 11 this paper clear.

12 DR. MICHENER: We will start out with the
 13 statement that there are a number of claims and arguments
 14 in this paper pro and con, and these are largely based on
 15 assertions which are not documented by objective facts
 16 where they are attested to by documents. They basically
 17 rest on value judgment you have to either accept or reject,
 18 such as, is there a higher quality legislature that comes
 19 from a unicameralist system. That claim is made, for
 20 example, in Nebraska. This gets back to basically value
 21 judgment, of what is a higher quality of legislature.