

1 In addition, on Page 4 of the staff memorandum,
2 you will see the proposed Questions 2, 3 and 4, which is
3 that the General Assembly should in fact have the power and
4 the authority as an exclusive power to create the regions or
5 boundaries of whatever intergovernmental regional govern-
6 ment or authority should be created and perhaps this is a
7 power that should be exclusively that of the General Assembly.
8 Then, it's probably important, also, to consider how this
9 power should be phrased and whether it should serve as a
10 veto power or an alternative, whether or not this power
11 should be one that does not have to be exercised by the
12 General Assembly until there is a request or an exhibit of
13 interest on the part of the local government either through
14 the action of the county legislative bodies or by the pe-
15 titioners, that would be the residents within the group of
16 counties interested in creating such a body; but that upon
17 such an exhibit of interest, either by a petition to the
18 General Assembly or acts by the legislative bodies of the
19 counties, then perhaps it would be well for the General
20 Assembly to be in a position where it is no longer a veto
21 power over whether or not they decide to create the