

1 cent, some for five per cent. Frankly, three is
2 arbitrary, somewhat arbitrary compromise. It was
3 reached by the Committee.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Cover the whole section, not
5 just the subdivision.

6 MR. GENTRY: If we get into the mandatory
7 home rule and public local law as written out, then all
8 of Subsection (b) would be eliminated. That is the
9 reason it is placed in brackets. As it reads now, it
10 would be any public local law for Baltimore City or
11 county shall be referred to the Secretary of State, by
12 the Secretary of State to the people of the city, or of
13 the county upon petition of a number of eligible
14 voters residing in the city or county, equal to 10 per
15 per cent of the total number of votes cast therein in
16 that county or city for Governor at the last Gubernatorial
17 election.

18 Subsection (c): If more than a half but
19 less than the full number of signatures required for
20 any referendum petition be filed with the Secretary of
21 State before the date on which the law against which such