

SENATOR ELMER: Okay, and thank you, Senator Schellpeper.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Elmer. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: A question of Senator Schellpeper, please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Schellpeper, has this been done in the past on brand areas?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: I can't tell you that. I wasn't here to look out for the areas that were trying to be taken into the brand areas.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I...it hasn't been done before. You know, I kind of question this, Senator Schellpeper. Why have the Legislature, you agreed to, if they want in or out, we should look at it and they should come to the Legislature. You agree to that, yet your amendment does just the opposite. I guess I'm a little frustrated, confused, can you explain that to me? Why would you support a local vote on just Howard County, but on all the rest of the counties you wouldn't support that?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Well, I said I had mixed emotions about that because I don't know whether we need to come in and try to expand or to have the brand area made smaller. I have mixed emotions about that. I just, basically, do not want to see the brand area expanded, but I would probably support that amendment. I, at the present time, I really don't know, Senator.

SENATOR HABERMAN: In other words, you do not want to see Howard County in the brand area?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: No, I do not want to see the brand area, I do not want to see the brand area expanded.

SENATOR HABERMAN: But you are talking about Howard County.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: We are talking about Howard County here because...