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MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Glover

Mr. Beyer
Mrs. Ham
Mrs. Hayes
Mr. Hickey
Mr. Malone
Mr. Nicholas
Mr. Prengaman
Mr. Robinson
Mr. Sader

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Chaney

GUESTS PRESENT: Andrew P. Grose, Research Director, LCB

Assemblyman John Vergiels

Chairman Glover called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the Assembly Lounge. He informed the committee that the reapportionment bill will hopefully be ready by the first of next week, but because of action taken by the Senate two Assemblymen, Mr. Malone and Dr. Robinson, are in the same district.

Mr. Hickey commented that there are several other small disputes.

Assemblyman John Vergiels, Majority Leader, said that the substantial dispute was between the democrats and republicans and at the democratic caucus, all twenty-six members pledged unity. He urged those involved to work out their differences. He said that the caucus had given authority to Mr. Hickey, Mr. Glover and Mr. Sader to draw the lines but they did not want any incumbents in the same district.

Mr. Hickey said that he would like to speak to those involved in the various disputes on a one to one basis.

Mr. Andrew P. Grose, Research Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, said that as the Senate plan is drawn now, Senators Don and Keith Ashworth are in the same district, and Senator Lamb is in a district with an open seat.

Mr. Glover asked Mr. Malone and Dr. Robinson to get together with Mr. Hickey and work out their differences so that the reapportionment bill can get to the floor and over to the Senate.

Mr. Gross noted that changes in Dr. Robinson's district will minimally affect three other districts but the concept of congruency will be lost. He asked for permission to use

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the plan as it stands at the end of this day for bill drafting purposes noting that it can be amended at a future date.

Mr. Hickey listed the following Assemblymen who are involved in disputes: Mr. Malone, Mr. DuBois, Dr. Robinson, Mr. Bremner, Mr. Price and Mr. Kovacs. He said he would speak with all of these men individually.

Mr. Vergiels asked that all of these people who are involved in disputes meet back in the lounge at 4:00 today and urged that all differences be settled by then.

Chairman Glover adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hatch Secretary

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