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Dear Senator Garrison:

This letter is in response to our telephone conversation of February 9, 1983, regarding Senate Bill 30. You had requested I draft a proposed Amendment to this Bill in line with our conversation.

Your original sentence could be rewritten as follows:

At least one half of the members of a county planning commission shall reside in the area over which the commission has planning jurisdiction and at least one half of the members shall reside without the limits of a municipal corporation.

The underlined word reside replaces the previous wording 'shall own property in the area.' The problem with retaining the present language of the sentence, even with taking out the property qualification, is that as this is in many instances an existing board, there is no provision on how suddenly the board's membership will be amended to include these qualifications.

It is my understanding from our telephone conversation that you primarily wanted this Bill to be amended so that the board would reflect rural representation. Therefore, as a suggestion, the following is set out as a way of perhaps achieving that goal: Starting in 198_ all new appointments to county or joint city-county planning commissions should be made to reflect rural representation on these boards in proportional representation to the area over which the committee has planning jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

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