

1 people without any executive responsibility all the way
2 along the line in the creation of these governments.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Sayre?

4 MR. SAYRE: Let's see if I understand this cor-
5 rectly. The way this reads, you have three levels of going
6 about this. Suppose that you say you can take action by
7 whatever method a county wishes to go about. So, one
8 county council submits it to referendum and the county com-
9 missioners in the other place, by ordinance or whatever
10 they say we agree and the two of them get together by which-
11 ever way they will do it. Isn't that acceptable?

12 MR. CLAGETT: We're talking about an initiating
13 process here and in order to have a degree of flexibility
14 insofar as the initiation is concerned, that is, the
15 starting of the movement, we were thinking in terms of
16 three distinct alternative methods and, by use of county
17 legislative bodies, we classified that that would be an
18 alternative approach.

19 By use of the petition approach, you had a
20 second distinct alternative approach. Changing that in the
21 manner we are now discussing would be to consolidate the