

1 in asking it.

2 DELEGATE BYRNES: The second.

3 DELEGATE MOSER: The answer is, and has to be,
4 I suppose this: that if they transfer a particular function
5 to another governmental unit, whatever it may be, if it is
6 a governmental unit, then they do have the power to do it.
7 This is the only way, for instance, that authorities can
8 operate. It would only be true if they passed it exclusively.
9 If they withdraw it and passed it exclusively to another
10 governmental unit, this would mean they have to say just
11 that, because ordinarily when these things are done, they
12 are not passed on exclusively.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Byrnes.

14 DELEGATE BYRNES: What troubles me, of course,
15 is your definition of public general law, as much by its
16 terms --

17 DELEGATE MOSER: This is true. I think you
18 aptly point out a very necessary State power which is re-
19 tained in the General Assembly, which is to say they do
20 have the power to set up a multi-county authority. For
21 instance, what they have done, let's say for the Maryland
Port Authority, in effect, is to withdraw the power to