

1 form of the Senate Bill. Mr. Thompson?

2 MR. THOMPSON: Mr. Chairman, just for the  
3 record, I would like to mention that I have had some  
4 correspondence on this general subject with an official  
5 of the State of Massachusetts which is, of course, avail-  
6 able to this Committee and this subject, or at least a  
7 similar subject, that is, the creation at the state level,  
8 perhaps in the office of the Governor or elsewhere, of an  
9 office to deal with local government problems and further  
10 for the record I would indicate that at the 17th Annual  
11 Conference of the Maryland Municipal League, our own  
12 Congressman-At-Large, Carlton Sickles, in an address,  
13 suggested the creation of such an office.

14 I do, in fact, have copies of his talk in which  
15 he refers perhaps in some detail to this, which I would be  
16 pleased to make available to the Committee.

17 DR. BURDETT: That really could be left in the  
18 statute.

19 MR. THOMPSON: I would think so, but, nonethe-  
20 less, it would appear to me not entirely unwise to make  
21 up, if not a provision, a footnote or indication of some