

1 units. There is an existing statute that says annexation  
2 we are just constitutionalizing an existing statute from  
3 1919.

4 DEAN FORDHAM: If you put it in the constitu-  
5 tion that rigidifies it and ties the hand of the Legis-  
6 lature in achieving the flexibility I think desirable.

7 MR. MELVIN: Aren't we only concerned at the  
8 time with whether or not we retain in the constitution  
9 Article 13, Section 1? As I read the report and then  
10 refer to Article 13, it seems to me to apply only to boun-  
11 daries.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Where actually it refers only  
13 to boundary lines, though, would it not also include the  
14 creation of any new units because you have to define  
15 boundary lines insofar as the new unit is concerned.  
16 Wouldn't it be inclusive? It is true, however, it retains  
17 what is already in our existing constitution. Whereas  
18 we had formerly recommended or submitted our report without  
19 including restrictions by way of referendum as Mrs. Freed-  
20 lander pointed out, the sense of the Commission was there  
21 should be the restrictions. Then we were directed to come