

1 appendage of the State Legislature, or when the Code
2 provision comes in, it can evolve into a partial home
3 rule county without going through the charter process.

4 I just raise the question that we might
5 take a new approach to this. One solution to the prob-
6 lem might be to stay with the system we have and get
7 rid of the dead language in the constitution as we know
8 it and leave the present authority that is in the State
9 Legislature.

10 For us to adopt, I feel, the broad grant of
11 home rule power would mean that the State Legislature
12 would then have to, by general legislation, begin with-
13 drawing power from the subdivisions.

14 MR. MILES: Withdrawing?

15 DR. LOEVY: It would have to begin withdrawing
16 it. As this begins, my feeling would be what you are
17 saying is you are giving the Legislature as of that point
18 the job of redefining the entire relationship of local
19 government in Maryland. If a complete redefinition of
20 this is what we want, then I would support the broad grant of
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