

1 Legislature were going to be its City Council in practice,
2 that practically all the votes in Baltimore City would be
3 against the adoption of that constitution. When you would
4 pick up around the State just a general scattering of
5 opposition, it might be quite difficult to get through a
6 constitution which aimed that way at Baltimore City.

7 DEAN FORDHAM: You might have to do it differ-
8 ently. I wouldn't be dogmatic about that.

9 DR. BURDETTE: Would you worry about that, that
10 Baltimore City has to take that from the Legislature?

11 DEAN FORDHAM: I would worry about it.

12 DR. BURDETTE: I would, you see.

13 DEAN FORDHAM: The problem is not quite so bad
14 where you start out, as I did, with the broad grant of
15 power to the City, the Legislature has to assume political
16 responsibility for taking it away. So that there is some
17 obstacle to overcome there. It is not like having to go
18 to the Legislature begging for powers as the traditional
19 thinking has been in most States.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: That touches upon the point that
21 gives me the greatest amount of concern, following through