

1 metropolitan governmental authorities?

2 MR. CLAGETT: I believe that would be unneces-  
3 sary, Dr. Bard, by reason of the fact that if you read the  
4 sentence just above, The General Assembly shall provide  
5 by law for the government of other civil divisions, and as  
6 we have defined other civil divisions, that would include  
7 regional governments. So, we would only be unnecessarily  
8 repeating ourselves. We've already done that.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: As I understand it, in response  
10 to my earlier question, it's the purpose of your Committee  
11 in this draft to confer upon the Legislature practically  
12 unlimited power to create regional governments, and the  
13 only thing that you have said you do not want to do is to  
14 provide in the Constitution a form of regional government  
15 that could lie dormant for a time.

16 MR. CLAGETT: Exactly.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Does that answer your question,  
18 Dr. Bard?

19 DR. BARD: I think it does, yet I do not see  
20 noted here specifically the phrase regional governments,  
21 and if it doesn't matter one way or another, Mr. Clagett,