

1 MR. SCANLAN: I think the franchise referred
2 to is the old Anglosaxon term of a grant, not special
3 privilege, et cetera.

4 MR. CASE: You had better get a ruling from
5 the Attorney General on it.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think it will serve
7 any useful purpose to debate it further today. I am
8 sure the Committee will consider it further. Any
9 further questions as to the title of the bill?

10 MR. CLAGETT: I move that we actually take
11 or initiate immediate action to get a ruling by the
12 Attorney General.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think you need a
14 motion. Mr. Scanlan is going to take that into
15 consideration and will do what is necessary.

16 MR. BROOKS: The bill that did create the
17 offices and provided for an election was an emergency
18 bill last year.

19 MR. CLAGETT: That's what I was seeking
20 through the back of my mind, it raised a red flag.

21 MR. BROOKS: It is to be ratified now by