

1 not advocate and present to the Congress an argument in
2 favor of unicameral Legislature. The time is ripe.
3 I think the people are ready for it, and we can do a
4 real service in favoring the unicameral Legislature.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Freedlander?

6 MRS. FREEDLANDER: I would like to also speak
7 in favor of unicameralism. This Commission voted
8 down the staggered term, so we cannot say it is a dif-
9 ference in staggered term. We do not allow one body
10 to introduce bills different from the other body. We
11 are going to, we are hoping that under our Political
12 Subdivisions proposals that there will be no local
13 legislation so that those reasons that used to be justifi-
14 cation for a bicameral Legislature are no longer valid.

15 Furthermore, we have the privilege of listening
16 to political scientists and others who appeared before
17 the Subcommittee on Legislative Department, as well as
18 the total Commission, and they felt the time was ripe
19 now to think in terms of unicameralism because of the
20 reapportionment. When the Legislature appeared before the
21 Legislative Department, I understand that several of them,