

1 have to withdraw any powers from the counties in order
2 to establish a regional government.

3 So you have no check on how many of these
4 there will be. So you are presented with a problem of
5 perhaps a proliferation of regional governments. You
6 could have, you could easily have 12 or so in the state
7 which really won't resolve the problem. I think, too,
8 it ought to be noted that since we have heard from
9 four, and only four of the members are with us today from
10 the Committee, three of them expressed a viewpoint in
11 favor of an establishment of some sort of skeleton
12 regional government.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion?

14 MR. SYKES: Mr. Chairman, I would like to
15 state my views.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Before you close, oh, it
17 is not your motion. Go ahead.

18 MR. SYKES: I would like to state at least
19 what I think are now my views on the whole subject.
20 The questions are inter-related but I think that there
21 is no significant restriction on legislative power if a