

1 was to be permissive or mandatory rather than the
2 Legislature would have to create the structure of
3 regions before any counties could be established.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: I am not so sure that the
5 distinction you are drawing is one that is at all clear.
6 It is not clear to me. Part of my difficulty stems
7 from the fact that as I indicated originally, I had
8 great difficulty and still have great difficulty in
9 separating in my mind the permissive vote from this
10 question.

11 It seems to me that the two are inherently
12 tied together. But I think if we get a vote on this
13 question as to who can call into being the regional
14 government, that maybe we can unravel the tangle that
15 I think we may be in. Judge Adkins.

16 JUDGE ADKINS: May I ask if we are now
17 considering the right to call into being or to origination
18 by petition so to speak and also the right of local
19 county units to call, raise, or create a regional
20 government? What I am trying to ask, I guess, is, are
21 we talking about two other ways or just one other way?