

1 corporation for the joint administration for any of
2 their functions and powers and the sharing of costs
3 thereof.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Any questions? Any comment?
5 I think we will all agree with the comment we made
6 when we started this. This is the most difficult of all
7 the provisions we have to concern ourselves with. We
8 have a number of matters that we simply must act on
9 today. I don't want to treat any of them summarily.

10 I will try to take up each in the order of
11 their urgency. I think the first matter I want to ask
12 you to consider and make a decision about is the
13 question of whether the Commission should or should not
14 make a public statement or take a position with respect
15 to the 16 constitutional amendments which would be on
16 the ballot next month or any of them. I point out to
17 you that this is not a question that is easy to resolve.

18 At first blush it is seemingly the answer
19 to say well, it deals with a matter that we are working
20 on and we should express our views. Another opposite
21 view is that the Commission is preparing for a convention