

1 complete freedom of counties or county and Baltimore
2 City to contract among themselves? In other words,
3 what real good will flow to the people by this new
4 type of government which couldn't be obtained through
5 the authority.

6 MR. CLAGETT: I am not going to argue the
7 merits of that one because it is contrary to my thinking.

8 MR. CASE: I am not asking for an argument.

9 MR. CLAGETT: I am only saying I am agreeing
10 with what your question implies. I think they are
11 two alternative approaches. I don't think we ever
12 tried the intergovernmental authority approach, I don't
13 think we know, we have seen warning signs from New
14 Jersey, from New York, others, where there has been a
15 proliferation of authorities and those authorities are
16 nonrepresentative, they are appointed, they are detracting
17 from what we understand to be true representative
18 government.

19 I agree with that criticism. However, I think
20 the intergovernmental authority approach, as we have
21 utilized it in this state, has been a good one. As I