

1 the express powers changed if you want to get it changed
2 and this will prevent a pressure group from getting express
3 powers changed.

4 Now, I've had some experience with getting amend-
5 ments to the current Express Powers Act and I know that the
6 larger counties who are concerned can very easily accomplish
7 this and I think that this is such an important thing, the
8 lending of the credit of a county, that it ought to be
9 beyond the reach of political pressures that can be brought
10 to bear in the Legislature.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gentry?

12 MR. GENTRY: If we are to make this exception
13 apply to both counties and regional governments, isn't it
14 possible right in the very section Mr. Eney was just
15 reading from to pick it up there and say neither a state
16 nor any county nor any regional county?

17 MR. CASE: I wouldn't care how it's done, Jim,
18 as long as --

19 MR. GENTRY: The other question I want to ask,
20 with the other counties having this plenary power denied,
21 would there be any chance that the county could pledge the