

1 to ask some other questions if I may at this point. I
2 am not sure what this means, with respect to, or be sub-
3 ject to the withdrawal of any existing powers without
4 either its consent or the consent of the General Assembly
5 by law.

6 The reason I am confused on this, I am not
7 quite sure from the remarks made that we haven't abolished
8 all the municipalities, unless recreated, and therefore
9 the municipalities have to recreate them. I think we
10 have to face that. This comes from a comment of yours,
11 Mr. Chairman, that Article 11 (e) will not be extant
12 any more. That is going to be true. I should think
13 that the words, of any existing power, would carry the
14 inference that those powers that/had at the time of the
15 Constitution which would be the power given by Article
16 11 (e) would remain, and therefore that the changes
17 which they care to make enlarging their powers under
18 11 (e), which they can now do, still remain under this
19 language. Otherwise, I don't really see where we are.

20 MR. CIAGETT: Don't we actually say that when
21 we say any existing powers? Wouldn't that be just what