

1 amend or repeal an existing charter or local law.

2 Now, if by way of illustration it had under
3 the phrase, existing power, this very power, Section 3,
4 if it continued, then they could amend under Section 3, in
5 any way within this frame of reference.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: That is what the Committee
7 says it does not intend.

8 MR. CLAGETT: That is correct.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: I think the solution is to
10 clarify the phrase, existing powers, by saying, existing
11 powers set forth in its charter. That is what you are
12 talking about.

13 MR. CLAGETT: I think that would clarify it.
14 What is your reaction, Dr. Burdette?

15 DR. BURDETTE: I think it would clarify it.
16 I don't mind putting it on the table, but I am opposed
17 to it. I am so much opposed to it that I would vote
18 against a Constitution that had it in it, and I would
19 suppose that anything that had anything to do with a
20 municipality in this State would do the same thing.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Clagett?