

Did we not, here, 3 or 4 years ago—2 or 3 years ago—pass a piece of legislation that authorized your city to lease land on the reservation for housing purposes?

MAYOR TIMS. We do have a—they have a landfill which is jointly used by ourselves and Mesa on the Indian reservation but the Indians operate this.

MR. BERRY. That bill was not passed. It was the Rhodes bill, I think Johnny Rhodes bill.

MAYOR TIMS. There was a long-term leasing bill which authorized 99-year leases last year.

MR. BERRY. That would be what it was. But on this area, where housing projects go, and, as I recall, there was a golf course and this sort of thing out there—I think that it would be in Mesa—on those areas, what law prevails, State law or Federal law?

MAYOR TIMS. None of these are developed yet, Mr. Berry, and this is what we are concerned about. It is what law will prevail there—

MR. BERRY. When it has been—

MAYOR TIMS. When it takes place. We are concerned about the building codes and the zoning and this type of thing when the land, particularly the part of the bill as to when the land comes under development and there are people other than Indians living in the development.

MR. BERRY. I think that is all, Mr. Chairman. I share your concern on this situation because having been there and been over the area, I can appreciate your town has to grow in some direction and the only direction it can grow is on to the reservation area.

THE CHAIRMAN. What is the name of the tribe that is to the east of Scottsdale?

MAYOR TIMS. The Pima Indians; Salt River Indian Reservation that is there.

THE CHAIRMAN. Mr. Sigler, do you have any questions?

MR. SIGLER. No, sir; I do not.

THE CHAIRMAN. Mr. Leppert?

MR. LEPPERT. No, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN. Thank you very much for a fine presentation.

MAYOR TIMS. Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN. The next witness will be Mr. Donald Rider, executive director, New Mexico Municipal League. Mr. Rider, please.

STATEMENT OF DONALD RIDER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

THE CHAIRMAN. We welcome you, Mr. Rider, to the committee and you may proceed with your statement which I understand is accompanied by a position paper on protecting the rights of Indians as well as a statement on behalf of the city of Albuquerque. Is this correct?

MR. RIDER. That is correct, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN. Do you want to read your full statement?

MR. RIDER. I was going to read—I have a brief 2½-page statement I was going to read.

THE CHAIRMAN. You may be permitted to do that and the other two documents will be made a part of the record at the end of your statement.