

ments of the Constitution of the United States directly would be more harmful than helpful?

Mr. ACOYA. Let me answer it this way, sir. I do not think it would be harmful at all. As a matter of fact, I think it has been expressed by the Pueblo Governors that they have had this same type of thing and the only thing they have not done yet is to codify those customs and traditions which express the freedoms that they have always had. So, therefore, it would not be harmful at all if it were today that we had a bill that passed that gave even an addition. This would be superfluous in a sense.

Mr. BERRY. Well, if it would not be harmful, why would you be in opposition to it?

Mr. ACOYA. In the Governor's statement——

Mr. BERRY. Yes.

Mr. ACOYA. Well, insofar as he is concerned, he is going along with the Pueblos in their understanding of title I and title II. He feels that if the Pueblos feel this way, then, therefore, it is his position also to feel that way.

Mr. BERRY. Although he does not see any harm in title I.

Mr. ACOYA. No, sir; I do not believe so.

Mr. BERRY. Thank you.

Mr. ACOYA. Yes, sir.

Mr. BERRY. I have no further questions.

The CHAIRMAN. Any further questions of the witness?

Mr. ACOYA. Mr. Chairman, I would like to read a statement with regard to Mr. Meeds' question on religion. I think he was referring specifically to the Isleta situation. I have a statement here that shows the purpose of the action that they took down at Isleta Pueblo.

The CHAIRMAN. This is a statement that you give in addition?

Mr. ACOYA. This is an addition, yes, sir.

Mr. MEEDS. Reserving the right to object, just a point of personal question, Mr. Chairman, is this your statement or is this someone else's or——

Mr. ACOYA. This is the Pueblo of Isleta's statement and I wish to have the gentleman from Isleta read this, Mr. Abeita.

Mr. MEEDS. This is the——

The CHAIRMAN. Lieutenant Governor of the Isleta Pueblo.

Mr. MEEDS. Pardon me, Mr. Chairman. This witness is not scheduled and if I may have the right to call a witness about this same matter, I will be perfectly willing to listen.

The CHAIRMAN. Who is your witness?

Mr. MEEDS. I may want to. I may not exercise that.

The CHAIRMAN. Is the witness——

Mr. MEEDS. I think we ought to hear both sides of it.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair is trying to be fair. The only reason he asked Mr. Abeita if he was willing to testify is because the gentleman from the State of Washington has raised a question. If the gentleman will tell me the name of this—is he present in the room?

Mr. MEEDS. No. I do not know, Mr. Chairman. I just—there are two sides to this question and I would just like to have the right to get both of them in. I want to hear the gentleman. I just want to have the right to call someone——