

Mr. KORNEGAY. Interstate.

Mr. ROGERS. There cannot be a direct connection across State lines.

Mr. KORNEGAY. How are you going to get it across a State line without a connection? That is what I am trying to figure out.

Mr. ROGERS. That is right. They must not have a direct connection.

Mr. KORNEGAY. You are talking about the municipalities not having a direct connection. You are not talking about the electricity generally. If you do wheel it and transmit it from one State to another there has to be a connection.

Mr. ROGERS. Yes. Yes, this is right, and if there is a direct connection, it falls under Federal Power. It is interstate commerce.

Mr. KORNEGAY. Controlled by Federal Power.

Mr. ROGERS. This is correct.

Mr. KORNEGAY. So when you say under the terms of the bill that there can be no connection, or no connection can be direct from one State to another, you are speaking with reference to the municipal system; is that correct?

In other words, to fall under the State jurisdiction rather than the Federal jurisdiction?

Mr. ROGERS. They are under State jurisdiction in this bill. This would exclude municipalities from coverage of the Federal Power Commission.

Mr. KORNEGAY. I am trying to get the full information for my own edification as to how they can get it across the State line without having some connection.

Mr. ROGERS. Well, you know all power doesn't come from out of State. In fact, Florida Power & Light generates its power. Many municipalities generate their own power.

Mr. KORNEGAY. And consumed within the same State.

Mr. ROGERS. This is right.

Mr. KORNEGAY. And, of course, would not be subject to jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission.

Mr. ROGERS. Any power that goes across a State line is subject to interstate commerce regulations by the FPC.

Mr. KORNEGAY. In the hearings we held, I believe last year, in connection with this matter, as I recall, the Federal Power Commission took the position that most all power would be under the jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission on the theory that now the grid system and most power throughout the country is tied in, and if any electricity put into the system could escape or be transmitted by way of interconnections to another State, then they would have jurisdiction.

Mr. ROGERS. Yes.

Mr. KORNEGAY. The purpose of your bill is to get away from their theory, the Commission's theory, to bring virtually all systems under the authority of the Federal Power Commission.

Mr. ROGERS. Our bill is simply to restate what the law said when we passed it and the intent of the Congress. That is all it is.

Mr. KORNEGAY. In other words, it doesn't change the existing law as you understand it.

Mr. ROGERS. No, sir. It is simply restating the law as passed by this Congress.

Mr. KORNEGAY. But, in effect, it would prevent the Commission from seeking out under the theory which I have just enunciated, which I understood was their theory last year.