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Art Hippler [?] talks about the Alaska's need to provide services to small communities even though they are costly. Not everything can be provided there, though. Talking about people's moving back and forth from small communities, the need for bonds, and not relying solely on natural resources.

Another man says that he doesn't believe in dedicated funds or investment funds that would put banks out of business. He doesn't have the answers to what to do with "that much money" either. [Discussion on funds.]

2:57 The chairperson mentions that they only have 10 minutes left and thinks that they have to be more specific when discussing the local government article.

Another speaker recommends debt service, and then continues talking about confusion between first class cities and boroughs. He thinks that the committee used existing concepts, so definitions shouldn't be a problem. [About defining boroughs and home rule.]

6:03 Discussing the question of who has the authority to make determinations [unclear] are feasible in service areas.

His last comment addresses a previous comment about home rule article. The speaker thinks that local government should have lots of power that could be then limited by legislature as needed. [Unclear talking.]

8:05 Another man talks about rural residents going away to go to schools, and how surprising numbers are returning to their villages although that wasn't necessarily intended.

9:08 Another man says that according to the state constitution, people have the power, and the role of state government is to provide local government. [Unclear talking about the local government article.]

[End of the recording.]