

## REPORT.

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The undersigned, a majority of the committee to whom was referred the memorial of a convention of citizens called to deliberate upon a reform of the constitution of Maryland, and the memorial of a large number of citizens of Frederick county on the same subject, have carefully considered those memorials. They cannot but concur in the positions which these memorials advocate; and they would declare their conviction that in the progress of our state and population, and by the change in the relative circumstances of the counties of the state, the period has arrived when a revision of our constitution is urgently demanded, and is due to those fair principles of republicanism, on which alone our individual political rights can be adjusted, and our civil liberties permanently secured. The undersigned therefore beg leave to report the accompanying bill, as adapted to attain these objects of the memorials.

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CHARLES F. MAYER.

A bill entitled, "An act to call a Convention, to revise the Constitution of the State of Maryland."

Whereas the change in the relative population of the several counties of this state, renders it advisable to revise the constitution of the state, with a view to a more equitable distribution of political power, if the opinion of the people shall declare itself in favor of such remission. And where it is right with such view to ascertain the sentiments of the people, and if claimed by their will to devise the proper means for constituting a convention of representatives of the people, who shall be entrusted with the power of considering and amending the constitution of the state to adopt to the altered circumstances of the counties, and the growth of this state—Therefore

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it be and hereby is recommended to the voters of this state at the next election of Delegates to the General Assembly, to declare or denote upon their respective tickets, voted by them whether they are in favor of or opposed to a convention as aforesaid for revising the present