

REPORT OF THE MINORITY OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE UPON THE SUBJECT OF A NEW COUNTY TO BE FORMED OUT OF PORTIONS OF SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

ARTICLE—

SECTION 1. The General Assembly may provide for the formation of new counties, locating and removing county seats, and changing county lines, but no new county shall be formed without the consent of a majority of the legal voters residing within the limits of any proposed new county; and whenever a new county is proposed to be formed out of portions of two or more counties, the consent of a majority of the legal voters residing within the limits of such part of each county as is proposed to be included in such new county shall be necessary to include such part; nor shall any new county contain less than four hundred square miles nor less than ten thousand white inhabitants; nor shall any county be reduced below that number of square miles and of white inhabitants; nor shall the lines of any county be changed without the consent of a majority of the legal voters residing within the limits of the line, or lines, proposed to be changed; and in any law proposing to form a new county, or to change any county line, provision shall be made for the ascertainment of the sense of the legal voters as aforesaid.

ISAAC D. JONES,
GEO. M. GILL,
HENRY W. ARCHER,
L. P. FRANKLIN,
JAS. L. HORSEY.

Which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Gill,

The Convention took up the unfinished business of yesterday,

Being the following order submitted by Mr. Gill:

Ordered, That hereafter it shall not be competent to go into the Committee of the Whole, except upon a vote of the majority of the members present; and that the rules of the Convention be so changed as to correspond with this order;

Which was then read a second time and adopted.