

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Bowie,	Maddox,
Brodwater,	Spates,
Compton,	Stephenson,
Earle,	Stirling,
Henkle,	Vickers,
Jump,	Waters,
Kimmel,	Young—15.
Mackall,	

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Billingslea,	Holton,
Davis, of Caroline,	Mules,
Davis, of Washington,	Philpot—7.
Frazier,	

The President declared said bill rejected, and stated that he had no disposition to discuss the question. He would simply refer the Senate to the 2d section, XI article of the Constitution, which is as follows :

“Whenever two-thirds of the members elected to each branch of the General Assembly shall think it necessary to call a Convention to revise, amend or change this Constitution, they shall recommend to the electors to vote at the next election for members of the General Assembly for or against a Convention; and if a majority of all the electors voting at said election shall have voted for a Convention, the General Assembly shall, at their next session provide by law for calling the same.”

The Chair added that he had no other guide in decisions upon such subjects than the Constitution of the State, and he had decided upon his judgment of its proper meaning, irrespective of his personal convictions of the merits of the bill.

Mr. Earle took the following appeal from the decision of the Chair :

That fifteen votes having been given in favor of the bill, and the Chair having decided the bill under these circumstances lost, that the decision of the Chair is in error, and that the bill has become a law.

On the question being taken,

“Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Senate,”

It was determined in the negative by yeas and nays as follow :

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