

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to introduce a bill to exempt mortgages from taxation.

On motion by Mr. Henkle,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to introduce a bill to refund to Samuel S. Redgrave, money erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

Mr. Grove from the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably

House bill entitled an Act to repeal section 194, of Article 8, of the Public Local Laws, entitled Anne Arundel county, sub-title Sheriff, and to re-enact another section in lieu thereof, relating to the fees of Sheriff for keeping and boarding prisoners.

Which was read the second time.

Also,

Senate bill entitled an act to repeal section 25, of Article 38, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Notaries Public, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Which was read the first time.

Also,

Senate bill entitled an Act to amend the 27th section of Article 38, of Public General Laws of Maryland, by adding thereto the following sections, increasing Sheriff's fees of the several counties of the State.

Which was read the first time.

Also,

Senate bill entitled an Act to change the name of Josephine Stevens.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Smith, from a select committee, reported favorably.

House bill entitled an Act to repeal section 210, of Art. 10, of the Public Local Laws of Dorchester county, and to enact the following in lieu of it.

Which was read the second time.

Mr. Lee submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the committee appointed to enquire into charges of corrupt practices to influence legislation, are not under injunction of secrecy, but have leave in their discretion to hold their proceedings openly, and said committee for despatch of business, and public economy, has authority to employ a stenographic reporter and clerk.