

interested in securing the passage of the law, or to consult with the heads of the departments of the State and Baltimore city, to which the provisions of the bill are intended to apply.

Yet, as the provisions of this proposed law are almost identical with those of the United States statute known as the "Pendleton Law," and the laws now on the statute books of New York and Massachusetts, the beneficial results of which are well known, your Committee believe that under similar legislation this State would receive similar benefits, in the way of increased efficiency and economy, in every branch of the public service.

A majority of your Committee are therefore favorable to the bill, and desire to so record themselves, in the hope that at a subsequent session of the Legislature such a bill as the present one, after mature consideration, may find a place on the statute books of our State.

JOHN B. BROWN,
JOHN S. WIRT,
JOHN G. ROGERS.

Which was read.

And, unfavorably, the following bills :

House bill entitled an Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 77, of Article 5, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Appeals," sub-title "Appeals in Criminal Cases."

House bill entitled an Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 9, of Article 52, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Justices of the Peace," sub-title "Civil Jurisdiction."

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal section 1, of chapter 395, of the Acts of 1888, entitled an Act to repeal section 1, of chapter 485, of the Acts of 1884, entitled an Act to prohibit the creation in the future of irredeemable ground-rents and to regulate the leasing of lands, and to re enact with amendments.

House bill entitled an Act to add a new section to Article 63, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Mechanics' Liens."

Which were severally considered and adopted.