

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Hayes, from the Committee on Finance, reported favorably, the following bills :

Senate bill entitled an Act to appropriate a sum of money to aid in the purchase of free books for the scholars of the public schools of the State of Maryland.

With the following proposed amendment :

#### AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Strike out in line 4 the words, "or so much thereof as may be necessary;" in line 9, after the word "Baltimore," insert the words "in the same manner and."

Which was adopted.

Said bill, as amended, was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal section 22, of Article 81, of Code of Public General Laws, title "Revenue and Taxes," sub-title "Rate and Items of State Tax," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

With the following proposed amendment :

#### AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

In line 12, strike out after the word "dedicated," the word "exclusively," and insert in lieu thereof the word "primarily."

Which was adopted.

Said bill, as amended, was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Senate bill entitled an Act appropriating a sum of money to the Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for the erection of a monument in Baltimore city.

With the following proposed amendment :

#### AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

In section 1, line 1, strike out the word "ten," and insert in lieu thereof the word "five."

Add to section 1, the following: "Provided the Comptroller shall not issue a warrant for said five