

BY THE SENATE,

January 18th, 1904.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

Inasmuch as this General Assembly is the Legislature which has been chosen next preceding the expiration of time for which the Hon. Louis E. McComas was elected Senator to represent this State in the Congress of the United States; and inasmuch as Tuesday, January 19th, 1904, will be the second Tuesday after the meeting and organization of the Legislature at its January session, 1904, we propose, with the concurrence of your Honorable Body, to proceed at the hour of 12 o'clock, meridan, on that day to the election of a Senator in the Congress of the United States, for this State, for the term of six years, from March the 4th, 1905, to succeed the Hon. Louis E. McComas whose term will on the last mentioned date expire; also that such election shall be conducted in the following manner as prescribed by chapter 1, of title 2 of the revised statutes of the United States, in such case made and provided, to-wit: The Senate and House of Delegates shall each in their respective chambers, openly, at the time aforesaid by a *viva voce* vote by each member present, name one person for such Senator, and the name of the person so voted for, who receives a majority of the whole number of votes cast in each house, shall be entered on the Journal of that house by the clerk or secretary thereof, or if either house fails to give such majority to any person on that day, the fact shall be entered on the Journal of such house, also at 12 o'clock, meridian, on Wednesday, January 20th, 1904, the members of the Senate and the members of the House of Delegates shall convene in joint assembly in the hall of the House of Delegates, and that the Speaker of the House of Delegates shall be chairman of such joint assembly, and that the Journal of each house shall then be read, and if the same person has received a majority of all votes in each house he shall be declared duly elected Senator of the United States, but if the same person has not received a majority of the votes in each house, or if either house has failed to take pro-