

to Article 37, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Evidence," sub-title "Attendance and pay of witnesses."

On motion by Mr. Sulivane,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to repeal Section 125, of Article 10; of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Dorchester County," as enacted by the Act passed at January Session, 1870, Chapter 317, relating to Justices of the Peace and Constables, and to re enact the same with amendments.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Finance, reported

Senate bill entitled an Act to make effectual the provisions made by the Act of December Session, 1844, Chapter 281, entitled "An Act to provide for the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to Cumberland, and for other purposes," in so far as said Act relates to putting and keeping the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal in good condition and repair and to make the said Canal an effective means of transportation,

With the request that it be printed with the following amendment :

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Page 2, line 15, strike out all after the word "whereas," and insert—

AND WHEREAS, The liens of this State upon the lands, tolls and revenues of the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and the liens of the bonds and coupons thereon issued in pursuance of the Act of 1844, Chapter 281, entitled an Act to provide for the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to Cumberland, and for other purposes, upon the net tolls and revenues of said Company, are greatly impaired in value, and must further decline in such value, unless the power vested in the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, under the provisions of the said Act, to raise money for putting and keeping its said canal in good condition and repair, and for other purposes mentioned in said Act, is made fully effectual by recognizing the priority of the bonds issued for the said purposes over all the rights and liens of the State, and over subsequent bonds issued by the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, for the same purposes, if other emergencies, now unforeseen, of like character should ever occur; now therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company be, and