

Hodges,	Linthicum,	Farrow,
Turner,	Rutledge,	Ranger,
Bird,	Boyle,	Jones,
Lancaster,	Vandiver.	Griffith,
Hawkins,	Goldsborough,	Atkinson,
Baldwin,	Rusk,	Sorrigg,
Whitelock,	Berkemeier,	Brooke,
Smith, of B. co.	McWilliams,	Brown,
Given,	McGlone,	Rinehart,
Dodson,	Coburn,	Lamotte,
Lankford,	Stewart,	Waters, of Car'l,
Gunby,	McAleese,	Donaldson,
Lambdin,	Gill,	Clark,
Waters, of Dor.	Hart,	Dashiell,
Snowden,	Loane,	Gordy,
Hance,	Chaisty,	Barnard,
Gwynn,	Hess,	Browning—67.
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NEGATIVE.

Messrs.

Robinson,	Rullman,	Koons—3.
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Said bill was then sent to the Senate.

The hour having arrived for taking up the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the order submitted by Mr. Hinks, on yesterday, in reference to charges made in public press and elsewhere, that at the General Assembly of this State held in 1874, there was a system of extortion practiced by certain persons and their agents, in order to secure legislation.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the order,

Mr. Robinson submitted the following in lieu of the same:

WHEREAS, It has been charged in the public press and elsewhere at various times during the years since 1861, that legislation of various kinds was procured before each Session of the Legislature in this State since said year, by the use of money, promises, &c., in the lobby, and with members of the legislature, for either the procuring of franchises for corporations, or for further relief of such corporations, and for appropriations for the eleemosynary institutions of the State.

And whereas, Such things if true are scandalous and monstrous.

Therefore be it ordered, That a Special Committee of five members of this House be appointed by the Speaker thereof, whose duty it shall be to inquire whether any money has ever been paid during the Sessions of the Legislature in the