

AND WHEREAS, The Governor of this State has heretofore protested against the passage of troops through this State for the purpose of aiding in the prosecution of said war, and has refused to call out the military force of this State to be used for the purpose of invading said States, and this General Assembly has heretofore declared that it would have no part or lot in said war against said States.

AND WHEREAS, An expense estimated at one million of dollars per day is now being unlawfully incurred by the said Executive department for the purpose of carrying on said war of invasion and subjugation; therefore be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the debt now being created by said Executive department is unconstitutional and unauthorized, and is not binding upon any of the States which do not consent thereto. And the State of Maryland does hereby give notice to all parties concerned, that it will not hold itself or its citizens bound for the payment of any part of said debt, and that it will resist the payment thereof by every means in its power.

*Resolved,* That our Representatives in Congress are hereby required to use every means in their power to prevent any increase of taxation for the purpose of paying said debt.

Which were read the first time.

Mr. Mills, from the committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably upon

A bill entitled, an act to repeal sections 41, 42, 43, 46, 47, 48 and 112, of Article LXIII, of the Code of Public General Laws, and sections 741, 742, 745, of article IV, of the Code of Public Local Laws of this State, in relation to the uniformed and ununiformed militia and volunteer force in the several counties of this State, and in the city of Baltimore and the reclamation, custody, control and redelivery of arms heretofore delivered to the officers and men under them; and to add to the said article LXV of the Code of Public General Laws a section providing for the prevention and suspension of proceedings upon bonds heretofore given under the laws of this State for the return of such arms;

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Briscoe,

The rules were suspended,

And the bill read the second and third times, and passed by yeas and nays, as follow: