

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER PAPERS.

The President submitted a petition of the Mayor, Counsellor and Aldermen of the city of Annapolis, by Philip E. Porter, City Clerk of Annapolis, in favor of the passage of the Widow-Mothers' Pension Bill. [*Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.*]

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Ogden: Senate Bill No. 538, entitled "An Act to prescribe the form of referendum petitions and to provide for furnishing voters of the State the text of measures referred to them under the provisions of Article 16 of the Constitution of Maryland, and to add nine new sections to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland (Bagby's Code), title 'Elections,' to be known as Sections 43-A, 43-B, 43-C, 43-D, 52-A, 52-B, 52-C, 52-D and 52-E, to follow Sections 43 and 52, respectively." [*Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.*]

By Mr. Zihlman: Senate Bill No. 539, entitled "An Act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 88-D of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1914, entitled 'An Act to add six new and additional sections to Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Public Civil Laws of Maryland (legalized by Chapter 21 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1912), title "Corporations," said six new and additional sections to come in after Section 88 of said Article 23 and to be known respectively as Sections 88-A, 88-B, 88-C, 88-D, 88-E and 88-F of said Article; the said new and additional sections relating to bonus, capital stock, property and franchise taxes upon and respecting corporations referred to in this Act, and to repeal all other laws and sections and all other parts of laws and sections, so far as the same or any of the same may conflict or be inconsistent with the provisions of this Act"; the amendment to Section 88-D is intended to exempt charitable, benevolent and fraternal institutions from paying and annual franchise tax." [*Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.*]