

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also the petition of Jacob Fiery, and other farmers and citizens of Washington county, against the abolition of the office of State Chemist, and for other purposes;

Which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

And returned the bill entitled, an act for the protection of sheep, by taxing dogs in Cecil county, with the following amendments:

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

1st. In section 1, fourth line, strike out the words "one month," and insert instead the words "two months."

2nd. In section 1, in the 8th line, strike out the words "every single," and insert instead "one."

3rd. In section 1, in the 18th line, strike out the words "for the years 1854 and 1855," and insert "under the act passed March 9th, 1854, chapter 129."

4th. In section 2, 21st line, strike out the words "and is here-by empowered to."

5th. In section 3, 10th line, strike out the words "every dog kept or staying about any," and insert "the fact that any dog is kept or stays about a."

6th. In section 7, 11th line, after the word "session," insert "1854."

Which amendments were concurred in, by yeas and nays as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Speaker,	Stubbs,	Valiant,
Plowden,	Goldsborough,	Lester,
Harris,	Parker,	Hugg,
Sudler,	Timmons,	Askew,
Dorsey,	Smith, of Wor.	Fiery,
Neff,	Brengle,	Reichard,
Waters,	Davis,	Corby,
Dowell,	Carper,	Hall,
Stone,	Grove,	Tower,
Merrick,	Hauver,	Kildow,
Roberts,	Jarrett,	Frey,
Toadvine,	Silver,	Brown,
Wilson, of Som.	Whitby,	Smith, of Carroll,