

Maryland and in any of its committees on any bill, resolution, motion, or other question or matter and providing for the operation of this system of weighted voting; providing for the effect of this Act upon certain sections in Article 3 in the Constitution of Maryland; providing for contingencies whereby part or all of this Act becomes no longer effective; and relating generally to apportionment and representation in the House of Delegates and to representation and weighted voting in the Senate, to the election of members thereof, and to the duties of certain State officers in relation thereto."

*Which amendment was read.*

Amendment No. 2—Strike out all of lines 5, 6, 7, and 8 of Section 1 on page 1 of the third reading file bill (second printing) and insert in lieu thereof the following: "new Sections 42, 42A, 42B, 42C, and 42D be and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section so repealed; and that Section 28 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, all to read as follows:"

*Which amendment was read.*

Amendment No. 3—Strike out all of lines 2 to 86, inclusive, of Section 42E on pages 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the third reading file bill (second printing) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"28. (a) No bill shall become a law unless it be passed in the House of Delegates by a majority of the whole number of members elected, and on its final passage, the yeas and nays be recorded; nor shall any Resolution, requiring the action of both Houses, be passed in the House of Delegates except in the same manner.

"(b) No bill shall become a law unless it also be passed in the Senate, as in this section specified, nor shall any Resolution requiring the action of both Houses be passed in the Senate except in the same manner; and on the final passage of the bill or resolution in the Senate the yeas and nays shall be recorded.

(c) In any vote taken in the Senate or in any of its committees on any bill, Resolution, motion, or other question or matter, the value of each Senator's vote shall be computed on a weighted scale in approximate ratio to population and based upon a total of one hundred and eighty-five (185) votes. The weighted value of each Senator's vote shall be that multiple of the numeral "1" which is computed on the approximate basis of 1 vote for each 16,000, or major portion thereof, of the population of the county or legislative district represented by each Senator, respectively. The population figures shall be used from the most recent Federal decennial census. From time to time the weighted value of the votes of the several Senators shall be as determined by enactment of the General Assembly of Maryland, under the formula in this section. Nothing in this section affects or changes the requirements for a quorum in the Senate, as provided in Section 20 of this Article.

(d) In applying the formula for the number of Senators and for their respective weighted votes, the several counties and legislative