

Earle,  
Harwood,  
Holton,  
Jenkins,  
Jones,  
Lansdale,

Philpot,  
Stephenson,  
Tome,  
Trail,  
Whitney—21.

NEGATIVE—None.

Said bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee on Corporations, reported a bill changing the Code of General Laws relating to Corporations ;

Which was read the first time.

Also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill incorporating the Dulaney's Valley and Sweet Air Turnpike company ;

Reported it without amendment, and

It was read the second time.

Mr. Trail, from a Joint committee, submitted the following

#### REPORT :

The Joint committee on Education to whom was referred a resolution directing an inquiry into the necessity or expediency of creating a School Fund of six millions of dollars, by an annual tax of five cents on every hundred dollars, and whether it be not the duty of this General Assembly to propose an amendment to the Constitution by abolishing the sixth section of the eighth Article thereof, respectfully submit the following report.

The section referred to is as follows :

“Sec. 6. The General Assembly shall further provide by law, at its first session after the adoption of this Constitution, a fund for the support of the Free Public Schools of this State by the imposition of an annual tax of not less than five cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable property throughout the State, the proceeds of which tax shall be known as the Public School Fund, and shall be invested by the Treasurer, together with its annual interest, until such time as said fund shall, by its own increase and any additions which may be made to it from time to time, together with the present School Fund, amount to six millions of dollars, when the tax of ten cents in the hundred dollars authorized by the preceding section may be discontinued in whole or in part as the General Assembly may direct, the principal fund of six millions hereby provided shall remain forever inviolate as the Free Public School