

to some sections of the State a disproportionate representation in the House of Delegates ;

AND WHEREAS, In view of the urgent necessity of immediate legislation reforming manifest and great abuses in the Election Law of this State, and also of legislation conferring additional power upon the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, the immediate exercise of which is imperatively demanded by a due regard to the preservation of the sanitary condition of the city of Baltimore, an extraordinary occasion exists for a Special Session of the General Assembly.

Now, therefore, I, John Walter Smith, Governor of Maryland, by virtue of the authority conferred and duty imposed upon me by the Constitution, do hereby call a Special Session of the General Assembly, to consider and act upon such measures; said session to begin at noon, on Wednesday, the sixth day of March, in the year nineteen hundred and one, to be held at the city of Annapolis.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland. Done at the city of Annapolis, this thirteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and one, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty fifth.

[Seal.]

By the Governor :

JOHN WALTER SMITH.

WILFRED BATEMAN,

Secretary of State.

After the reading of which, the Reading Clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names :

Messrs. King, Garner, Kendall, Norris, of Kent; Ditty, Krems, Phelps, Feldmeyer, Simmons, Gibson, Walbach, of G., Choate, Stewart, Truitt, of Baltimore county; Mann, Sandman, Jeffers, Collins, Dudley, of Talbot; Willis, Ward, Dryden, Disharoon, Corkran,