Whereas, by the Constitution and Laws of the State all public officers are declared to be trustees of the public, and those receiving fees are required to account with the State therefor, to turn over to the Treasury officials all such fees in excess of the divers amounts permitted to be charged against the same: and

Whereas, the report of the Comptroller of this State shows that many such officials have failed to make report and return of the receipt of their offices; and

WHEREAS, the Governor and Comptroller are charged with the duty of investigating said offices, and compelling them to comply with the law; and

Whereas, the extraordinary expenses of the State Government for the present year require the investigation of the receipts of all public officers receiving fees, and the collection therefrom of whatever amounts may be due the State therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the Governor and Comptroller be and they are hereby required to inform the General Assembly as soon as practicable what steps, if any have been taken by them or either of them to compel compliance with the law by such officials and what steps if any have been taken to investigate the receipts and business methods of such offices.

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Williams, of Harford:

A bill entitled "An Act to appropriate a sum of money to pay the Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, in and for the State of Maryland, their officers and attendants."

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

By Mr. Dennis,

A bill entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 380 of the Acts of of the General Assembly of Maryland in the year 1900, entitled 'An Act to repeal section 10 A-42, and to repeal and re-enact sections 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 19,