

## Amendment proposed.

At the end of the bill add the following proviso—

And provided also, that the said Samuel McBride shall, before the said negro is brought into this State, execute a bond to the State of Maryland, with sureties to be approved by the orphan's court of Cecil county, and to be filed in the clerk's office of Cecil county court, in the penalty of one thousand dollars, conditioned for the removal of said negro from this State within five days from the expiration of his term of service;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Tuck, chairman of the committee on coloured population, to which was referred the bill reported by Mr. Co-megys, entitled, an act to authorise Hyland B. Pennington, of Baltimore city, to bring into this State a slave for a term of years, reported the same with the following amendment:

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Which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Tuck, chairman of the committee on coloured population, delivered the following report—

The committee on coloured population, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Adams, of Frederick county, praying the passage of a law enabling her to manumit a certain negro man therein named, and permit him to remain in this State as free, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report—

That it appears by the said petition, that the said negro, on a contract, has paid the petitioner, his present owner, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, as a consideration for his freedom, and that the petitioner is desirous of fulfilling the contract on her part, by manumitting the said negro. But it does not appear whether the said contract was made and executed in whole or in part prior to the act of 1831, ch. 282. The committee are of opinion that, if any part of the said consideration was paid before the passage