

with the above mentioned bill, we have therefore sent you the same for reconsideration, as you will perceive we have amended the title of the bill.

J. BREWER, Clk.

By order,

Also a bill entitled, An act to incorporate the Jefferson Association of Baltimore; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

A bill entitled, An act for the relief of Sarah Melooney, widow of William, of Kent county; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

A bill entitled, An additional supplement to the act entitled, An act to regulate public ferries, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

A bill entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act to establish a board of agriculture for the counties therein mentioned, passed at November session 1807, chapter 160; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

A bill for the benefit of Colonel Roger Jones of the United States army; which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Johnson, Miller and Cockey.

A bill for the benefit of Elizabeth A. Lowndes, of Prince George's county; which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Bowie, Kent and Quinton.

And returns the bill for the benefit of Thomas Aitkins, of Cecil county, endorsed, "will pass" and it was ordered to be engrossed.

And an additional supplement to an act entitled, An act for making certain roads in Baltimore and Harford counties; which was read and referred to Messrs. Miller, Claude and Kent.

And the bill to alter and change all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the oaths to be taken by the members of the senate and house of delegates, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments." Amendments proposed. At the end of the first section insert, "And that electors of the senate, and all executive and judicial officers, before they act as such, and all persons elected or appointed to any office of profit or trust, civil or military, before entering upon the duties thereof, shall respectively take and subscribe the oath or affirmation, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, (or affirm, as the case may be,) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the state of Maryland, and that I will support the constitution and laws thereof, and that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of ———, according to the constitution and laws of this state."

2d Second section at the end of the third line after the word "delegates" insert, "& by all persons elected or appointed to any office of profit or trust, civil or military, before entering upon the duties thereof." Which amendments were read the first time and laid on the table.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Jacob Lantz, of Allegany county, was read the second and third time and concurred in. The bill was then read a second and third time by special order, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate reconsider the bill for the relief of Robert Oliver, of the city of Baltimore? Determined in the affirmative. The bill was then read, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Wootton submitted the following message; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, February 13, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—The senate have reconsidered the bill entitled, An act for the relief of Robert Oliver, of the city of Baltimore, and can see no good reason for changing the vote they heretofore gave on it. If this bill was to pass, we think the state might as well at once relinquish all its escheat property. Mr. Oliver is, we learn, fully able to pay the amount of the state's claim to the land mentioned in the bill.

In no cases that we know of has the state relinquished its right to property of this sort except under peculiar circumstances, and we see none such in the case before us.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

The bill for the relief of Sarah Melooney, widow of William, of Kent county, was read a second and third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill to repeal the act against excessive usury, was read a third time, and after some discussion, the further consideration of the same was postponed until to-morrow.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a resolution relative to the auditor general; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

And a bill entitled, An act concerning joint tenancy; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

On motion, the question was put, Will the senate reconsider the amendments to the bill relating to the public roads in the counties therein mentioned? Determined in the affirmative.

The amendments were then read, amended, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates, with the bill to which they relate.

Mr. Cockey submitted the following message; which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, February 13, 1823.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates*—We have reconsidered the two sections of the bill entitled, An act relating to the public roads in the counties therein mentioned, in compliance with the request contained in your message of the twelfth instant, and have amended the second section by limiting the time of appeal to three months. To the first section we think it best to adhere.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

The bill for the relief of Colonel Roger Jones, of the United States army, was read a second and third time by special order, amended, and will pass with the proposed amendment.