

Determined in the negative. The bill was then read the third time by special order, and the question put, "shall the bill pass?" Determined the affirmative, and it was sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following messages which were read.

House of Delegates,

3. March, 1826.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We return you the resolution which was passed in the house, in favor of John Barnes, clerk of Charles County court, and request that you will reconsider, and concur with us in passing it. We ask your attention to the report of the committee, which was made with the resolution on the 24th day of February, and to the report of the committee of Grievances, made on the 23d day of February, for the reasons which induced the house of delegates to adopt the resolution. It is not necessary to add additional arguments to the reports, or to the letters received from the judges of Charles county court. We are informed that the records can be completed in the time specified in the resolution,

By order,

John Brewer, Clk.

By the House of Delegates,

March 3d, 1826.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We return you the bill entitled an act, to ascertain and settle the law relative to forcible entry and detainer, and trust and believe, that on reconsideration, you will pass it. We are of opinion that no branch of our law is in such great confusion, and consequently so little understood, as that which this bill professes to regulate and settle; and we are also of opinion that the bill contains every provision necessary in a law on this subject, (fully and clearly expressed,) and no other.

In these opinions, we are satisfied you will concur with us on reconsideration, and in this confidence we return you the bill.

By Order,

John Brewer, Clk.

Also a resolution in favor of Theoderick Bland, Esq. which was read the first, and by special order, a second and third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

And returned the resolution in favor of John Barnes clerk of Charles county, and the bill to settle and ascertain the law, relative to writs of forcible entry and detainer, which were laid on the table.