

Mr. Forrest from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled, An act to restrain attorneys and solicitors in chancery from entering their appearance to any suit, bill, or action at law or in equity, in the courts of this state, without special authority, reported the same with the following amendments, viz: Amendments proposed.

1st. In first section, 2d line, strike out "May," and insert "March."

2d. After the word "state," in 3d line of same section, strike out the words "clerk of the court of appeals, or register in chancery."

3d. In 4th line of same section, strike out the word "record," and insert in lieu thereof the words "the docket."

4th. After the word "attorney," in same line, insert the words "for the defendant or defendants in any suit at law now pending."

5th. Strike out the fifth line of same section.

6th. In the 6th line of same section, strike out the word "special," and insert in lieu thereof "written."

7th. After the word "authority," in same line, strike out "to do so from the party or parties on record," and insert in lieu thereof the words "or personal application of the defendant or defendants."

8th. Strike out the proviso in the first section.

9th. In 1st line of 2d section, strike out the words, "or register."

10th. After the word "state," in 4th line of same section, strike out the remainder of the section.

Add the following as an additional section.

11th. "And be it enacted, That a seal shall in no case be necessary to give validity to a written authority to appear for any defendant or defendants."

12th. Strike out the title of the bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following, "An act relating to suits at law."

Which amendments were read the first time.

Mr. Kennedy, moved that the said bill with the amendments, be recommitted with instructions to the committee to strike out that part of the 2d section of the bill which gives to the informer one half of the penalty.

Mr. Forrest asked for a division of the question, and it was put on the recommitment of the bill, and determined in the affirmative.