

December session 1825, ch. 162, s. 26, the state has expressly declared and pledged herself, that all the funds hereafter to be assigned and appropriated for the support and maintenance of public instruction, as relating to primary schools, shall be apportioned and distributed among the several counties of this state, and to the city of Baltimore, according to the ratio of white population, as ascertained by the last preceding census of the United States. And this enactment the senate feels unwilling to disturb.

Mr. Forrest moved that the said message, together with the bill to which it relates, be laid on the table? And the question was put and determined in the negative.

The message having been read a second time, and after some discussion thereon,

The question was put, Will the senate assent to the message?

On this question the yeas and nays being asked for, were taken, and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Marriott, Prest.  
Heath  
Herbert  
Kennedy

Sewell  
Smith  
Thomas—7

NEGATIVE,

Messrs. Dennis  
Forrest  
Harrison

Rees  
Whiteley—5

Determined in the affirmative. So the message was assented to.

The bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act passed at November session one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, entitled, An act to establish a bank, and incorporate the subscribers thereto, being entitled to a second reading, was on motion of Mr. Smith, ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Barks of Washington county, and Mary Barks of Frederick county, being entitled to a third reading, was on motion of Mr. Kennedy, ordered to lie on the table.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Clare, late collector of the tax for Calvert county, was read the third time and passed as amended.

Mr. Smith, from the committee reported a bill, entitled,