

On motion of Mr. Mayer, the following amendment was read and assented to.

After the word "remain" in the 3rd line of the 5th section, insert the words "as free."

On motion of Mr. Dennis, the following amendments were read and assented to.

At the end of the 5th section, add as follows:

"Provided such permit shall not exempt any manumitter or his representatives or his estate from any liability to maintain any hereafter emancipated slave, who at the time, his or her right to freedom occurs, be unable to gain a livelihood, or be over forty-five years of age at said time, and afterwards become unable to maintain himself or herself."

At the end of the 10th section, add as follows:

"Provided that the levy courts or commissioners of the respective counties and the mayor and city council of Baltimore, as the case may be, may if they deem the compensation hereby allowed inadequate allow such further sum as they may deem proper."

In the 2d line of the 12th section strike out the words 'are or' and after the word 'freedom' in the same line insert the word 'hereafter.'

On motion of Mr. Mayer, the title of the bill was amended by striking out the words "free negroes and mulattoes" and inserting the words "people of color."

The bill was then read through, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion of Mr. Pigman, the bill entitled, an act to repeal an act entitled, an act to provide for the more complete administration of justice in equity cases in Allegany county; was read the third time, by special order passed and sent to the house of delegates.

The bill entitled, an act to divorce Robert H. Hays of Cecil county, from his wife Eleanor E. Hayes, was read the third time, rejected and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Hughlett from the committee to which was committed the bill entitled, an act to divorce Nicholas Connally