

explain an act, passed at December session 1831, chapter 281, reported that the committee had had said bill under consideration, and were of opinion it ought not to pass.

It was read the second, and by special order the third time, rejected, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill entitled, an a further supplement to the act, passed at December session 1831, chapter 323, entitled, an act relating to free negroes and slaves, was being read the second time, when

On motion of Mr. Mayer the following amendments were read and assented to:

In the 7th line of the 1st section, insert the words 'although not recorded within the third time, required by law.'

In the 8th line of the same section after the word 'attested,' insert the words "and recorded."

On motion of Mr. Dennis the following amendment was read and assented to:

Strike out the 3d section of the bill.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sappington the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

5 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The president resumed the chair.

The following message was received from his excellency Governor Thomas, by the hands of Thomas Culbreth, Esq. clerk of the council, which was read, and with the accompanying documents, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

Executive Department.

Annapolis, March 20th, 1833

Gentlemen of the Senate and of the House of Delegates,

In compliance with the request of his excellency the