

under His dispensation such person will be held morally accountable for his acts, and be rewarded or punished therefor either in this world or in the world to come. No person shall be deemed incompetent as a witness on account of race or color, but the General Assembly may at any time hereafter change or modify this clause if they shall deem it expedient."

ISAAC D. JONES, *Chairman.*

A. K. SYESTER,

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GEORGE R. HOWARD,

J. T. STODDERT.

Which was read.

Mr. Nelson from same Committee, submitted the following minority

REPORT:

We, the undersigned, members of the Committee upon the Declaration of Rights, to whom was referred all amendments proposed to Article 36, together with amendments, of which notice has been given, with instructions to report at the meeting of the Convention on May the 30th, submit the following report:

Article 36. That as it is the duty of every man to worship God in such manner as he thinks most acceptable to Him, all persons are equally entitled to protection in their religious liberty; wherefore, no person ought by any law to be molested in his person or estate on account of his religious persuasion or profession, or for his religious practice, unless under color of religion any man shall disturb the good order, peace or safety of the State; or shall infringe the laws of morality, or injure others in their natural, civil or religious rights; nor ought any person to be compelled to frequent or maintain or contribute to maintain, unless on contract, any place of worship or any ministry, nor shall any white person be deemed incompetent as a witness or juror on account of religious belief, profession or practice, who believes in the existence of