

Mr. Teackle from the committee on ways and means, made the following report:

The committee on ways and means to which was committed the report of the same committee on the statements of sundry county clerks and sheriffs, the clerk of Baltimore city court, the state tobacco inspectors, and the registers of the land office of the eastern and western shore, report the same with the following amendment, viz.

Strike out the order therein contained, and substitute the following, to wit:

Ordered, That the treasurers of this state furnish a copy of this report to the several officers concerned therein, and that they take the necessary measures to enforce a compliance with the requisites of the resolution of December session 1827, No. 70.

Which amendment was read and concurred in. The report as amended was then adopted, and the resolution assented to.

Mr. Teackle from the committee on ways and means, reported a bill, entitled, An act to provide for enforcing the collection of penalties incurred under existing resolutions of this state.

Which was read the first, and by special order the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Teackle from the committee on ways and means, delivered the following report:

The committee on ways and means, to which was referred the statement of the treasurer of the western shore, purporting to exhibit the details required by the resolution of December session 1827, No. 77, have had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report,—

That upon inquiry at the treasury, it was ascertained that no returns whatever had been received from several of the counties; and that the statements of some of the other counties were not in exact accordance with the provisions of the resolution in question, the design of which is clearly illustrated by the form extended in the journal of the house of delegates of December session 1827, opposite to page 322; as in lieu of a detail of aggregates, is given a voluminous exposition of minute charges, neither required, nor calculated to facilitate the display of statistical information which was deemed to be necessary to the correct action of the legislature upon various concerns referred to, or connected with, the matters set forth in the resolution.