

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, reported favorably

Senate bill entitled an Act to regulate the procedure in prosecutions for cruelty to animals.

With the following proposed amendments :

#### AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

Amend section 2 by adding at the end thereof the following, to follow the words "Baltimore City : " in case there shall be no society of a similar character in the county, city or town wherof the offence shall have been committed, in which latter event the said one-half the fine shall be paid to the said local society.

Amend by striking out section 3 of the bill and inserting in lieu thereof :

Section 3. And be it enacted, That the Justice of the Peace before whom any party accused shall be brought for his action under the provisions of this Act shall, before proceeding to try and determine the case, make known to such party his right to a trial before the court having criminal jurisdiction aforesaid, and shall obtain from such party a written waiver of said right, signed by such party, to be plead among the proceedings in the case, and to be noted on the docket of said justice.

Amended by adding the following section, to be number 4:

Section 4. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Which were adopted.

Said bill, as amended, was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

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#### REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Mr. Hayes, from a Select Committee, reported favorably,

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 149, of Article 4, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "City of Baltimore," subtitle "Coroners' Inquest and Dead Bodies," as re-enacted by chapter 207 of the Acts of 1890.