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BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 23rd, 1858.

Read the first time.

By order,

J. W. CLAYTON, Clerk.

A BILL

Entitled, an act in relation to free negroes and slaves in the State of Maryland.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,
2 That it shall be the duty of the sheriffs of the several counties and of
3 the city of Baltimore, to ascertain on or before the first day of Novem-
4 ber, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and in each and every year there-
5 after the number names and ages of the free negroes residing in the
6 several counties and city of Baltimore, and make return of the same to
7 the Registers of Wills of the several counties and city of Baltimore
8 and when so returned, it shall be duty of the Register of Wills afore-

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