2.17 Freedom of speech.

A member of the general assembly shall not be held for slander or libel in any court for words used in any speech or debate in either house or at any session of a standing committee. [C51, §9; R60, §6; C73, §11; C97, §11; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §**22**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, §2.23; C71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §2.17]