examinations are conducted in Baltimore City and in twenty-three other cities and towns throughout the State. The Department is responsible for the titling and registration of motor vehicles. It is necessary that a Maryland title first be issued for a vehicle before license plates are issued. There is collected by the Department an excise tax of two per cent of the fair value of the vehicle for each title issued. All commercial vehicles operating for hire within the State are required to file with the Department a certificate of Financial Responsibility Insurance, in the amounts of \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$20,000, and obtain a gratis permit to be carried with the vehicle at all times. All persons involved in accidents resulting in personal injuries, or any property damage in excess of \$75.00 must file a report with the Department and comply with the provisions of the Financial Responsibility Law. All persons failing to pay judgments in excess of \$25.00 are subject to the Financial Responsibility Law.

The Department maintains a record of each individual driver who has been convicted of the motor vehicle laws. The Department conducts hearings to determine whether or not the driver's license should be suspended or revoked as a result of a motor vehicle conviction, or because he is physically or mentally unfit to drive. Appeals are permitted to the Courts from the decision of the Commissioner, except in those cases where the revocation is mandatory.

All fees collected for the registration and titling of motor vehicles and all fines collected are deposited by the Department to the credit of the Motor Vehicles Revenue Fund (Code 1951, Art. 661/2, secs. 3-5, 9, 21-28, 89, 114-131, 303).

Appropriations	1955	1956
Special Fund	\$1,976,868	\$2,029,856
Capital Funds	110,000	
Staff: 377.		

## MARYLAND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

Chairman: Paul E. Burke
Richard B. Ayares, 1961; Michael Dopkin, 1961; R. Melvin
Goetze, 1961; Charles H. Rosenbaum, 1961; Murray J. Rymland, 1961; Jerome Kahn, 1961; Charles Adler, Jr., 1957;
Myles Katz, 1957; Herman C. Crueger, 1957; Clarence D.
Grant, 1957; Leroy M. Griffin, 1957; Louis Rabai, 1957;
Aldine R. Bird, 1959; James H. Levi, 1959; Richard C. O'Connell, 1959; T. Harry Riley, 1959; Patrick J. Roche, 1959;
William E. Voyce, Jr., 1959.
Paul E. Burke, Executive Director Chairman: Paul E. Burke

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The Maryland Traffic Safety Commission was organized in 1941. The Commission of eighteen members is appointed by the Governor

for six-year terms, one-third of these terms expiring every two years.

The Commission seeks to promote traffic safety on the streets and highways of Maryland; and it seeks to coordinate the activities of public and private agencies interested in, or affected by, the problems of traffic safety, assisting such agencies to augment their programs by study, education and information. The Commission has enlisted the aid of business associations, civic groups, and newspapers in the promotion of traffic safety. In cooperation with the Department of