

and the proceeds thereof dealt with pursuant to the provisions of this sub-title, unless within ten days after notice by mail to the owner of such motor vehicle, or the person leaving the same as security, the same shall be redeemed. Any Justice of the Peace, committing Magistrate or Police Justice accepting checks, drafts or any other unsecured evidences of debt in payment of fines, or in lieu of bail, shall do so at his own risk, provided that nothing herein shall be taken to prohibit the release of offenders on their own recognizance in proper cases. All monies received by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to the provisions of this sub-title, except such as shall be necessary for the purpose of making refunds, as hereinbefore provided, shall be accounted for and remitted by said Commissioner to the State Treasurer, who shall create a special fund thereof, and pay the amounts for salaries and expenses within the limits of the appropriation made by the General Assembly and the balance in quarterly installments one-fifth thereof to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for use on its roads and the balance to the State Roads Commission to be used for the oiling, maintenance and repair of State roads and State-aided roads, and for no other purpose.

See notes to section 146.

PART III.

Registration of Motor Vehicles and Operators.

1916, ch. 687. 1918, ch. 85. sec. 140.

140. Every owner of one or more motor vehicles before the same shall be operated in this State, and except as hereinafter otherwise provided, shall fill in and file with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, on a blank furnished by the Commissioner, an application for the registration of such motor vehicles, containing such information as shall be required by the Commissioner. The horse-power of all motor vehicles propelled by gas engines, except motorcycles, shall be computed and recorded upon the following formula, and the annual registration fee, hereinafter provided for, paid in accordance therewith; square the diameter of the cylinder, multiply by the number of cylinders and divide by two and one-half. For all motor vehicles propelled by steam engines, other than tractors and traction engines, the rating shall be based on the system of rating adopted by the United States Government. Should any other motor power be used, and in the case of motor vehicles having solid tires, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is empowered to adopt such formula to govern their rating as he may deem proper. The said Commissioner of Motor Vehicles upon the payment of the registration fee hereinafter provided for, shall file such application in his office and register such motor vehicle, assigning to it a distinguishing number or mark, and shall thereupon issue to the owner