

of every kind upon said motor vehicles or upon the receipts of those operating the same except the taxes upon the same as personal property.

Class G. Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for each rubber tired vehicle with a carrying capacity of one ton or less, trailed or propelled by any motor vehicle on which a license is required to be displayed, and twenty dollars (\$20.00) additional for each additional ton of carrying capacity or fraction thereof, the carrying capacity of such vehicles to be determined by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in disputed cases. Where the vehicle so trailed or propelled is equipped with two or more metal tires, the charge shall be double those above specified. Said fees shall not be chargeable in the case of threshing outfits, clover hullers, hay balers, binders and other similar farming implements not designed for hauling purposes.

Class H. Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each tractor or traction engine, or any other similar vehicles used for propelling, supporting or drawing a trailer or semi-trailer. This charge shall not apply nor shall registration tags be required to be displayed on a traction engine used for hauling on an unimproved road or for drawing or propelling agricultural or farming implements not designed for hauling purposes upon any highway.

The charges herein prescribed shall be for the entire twelve months of the year, and if the certificate be issued after April 1st or before July 1st, the charge shall be three-fourths of that prescribed for the entire year; if after July 1st and before October 1st, one-half; and if after October 1st, one-fourth.

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall have authority, in disputed cases, to determine the classification in which any motor vehicle belongs, under any of the provisions of this sub-title.

A duplicate registration certificate shall be furnished by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for fifty cents (50c) in cases where he is satisfied the original has been lost.

In the event any plate or marker issued by such Commissioner of Motor Vehicles under the provisions of this or any other section shall be lost or destroyed, the Commissioner shall cause an investigation to be made into the circumstances of the alleged loss, and if he is satisfied that said tag or tags have in fact been lost or destroyed as alleged by the applicant, he shall issue a duplicate or duplicates thereof, or a new set of tags, in his discretion, with appropriate registration certificate, at a cost not to exceed four dollars (\$4.00) in the case of a motor vehicle, or two dollars (\$2.00) in the case of a motor cycle or bicycle with motor attachment.

The owner of an automobile who carries five men to and from their work for an agreed compensation, is not a common carrier and does not operate his car "for public use," and hence need not comply with sec. 251. This and the following sections contrasted with sec. 251, *et seq.* *Towers v. Wildason*, 135 Md. 683.

This section referred to in holding invalid an ordinance of Havre de Grace prohibiting non-residents of that city from operating automobiles for hire; unreasonable discrimination. *Havre de Grace v. Johnson*, 143 Md. 606.

Sec. 135 (vol. 2), An. Code, 1912, cited but not construed in *Hendrick v. State*, 115 Md. 555.

See notes to sec. 171.