

or designated as safety zones by duly constituted State or municipal authorities. Whenever reference is made in this sub-title to a motor vehicle equipped with six wheels it shall be construed to mean a motor vehicle with not more than two wheels on any axle and with all three wheels on each side of the motor vehicle approximately in line.

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall have authority, in disputed cases, to determine the extent of the applicability of the definitions herein contained.

"Owner" as used in this section does not include person hiring motor vehicle for few hours or days so as to require registration or titling; "disputed" means no more than "doubtful." *Baughman v. Milstone*, 144 Md. 227.

Cited in construing sec. 209—see notes thereto. *Snibbe v. Robinson*, 151 Md. 662.

## PART II.

### Commissioner of Motor Vehicles—Appointment of.

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See notes to sec. 173.

### Disposition of Fines and Other Receipts.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 178. 1912, sec. 139. 1916, ch. 687. 1918, ch. 85, sec. 139. 1929, ch. 95.

178. All fines, penalties and forfeitures of bonds, or any other kind of authorized security, imposed or collected under any of the provisions of this sub-title shall be paid over within five days after the receipt thereof to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles with a statement accompanying the same, setting forth the action or proceedings in which such monies were collected, the name and residence of the defendant, the nature of the offense, and the fine, penalty, forfeiture or sentence, if any, imposed. And this section shall not be considered as repealed by the passage hereafter of any law providing for a different disposition of fines and penalties in any county or other municipal division of this State unless the same contains a repeal of this section by express references thereto. Said Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is hereby empowered in the name of the State of Maryland to take all steps necessary to enforce the collection and prompt return of all such fines, penalties and forfeitures of bonds, and when any motor vehicle shall have been deposited as security under the provisions of this sub-title, and said security is forfeited, the same may be disposed of by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, or under his discretion by the officer having the said motor vehicles in charge, at public auction, 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