

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 term "regular schedule" shall be given a liberal construction and shall include the carriage of freight or merchandise of at least one single trip per week of four consecutive weeks between fixed termini, and if freight or merchandise is carried by any motor vehicle on the average of at least one single trip each week between fixed termini, such operation shall constitute a regular schedule.

The term "fixed termini" shall be given a liberal construction and shall include any city, town, village, state line, county line, or city line or any other geographical point marking the beginning or the end of a carriage of goods in the State of Maryland, provided each termini is at least five miles apart.

The term "Commercial Motor Vehicles" shall include (a) all motor vehicles designed and used for carrying freight or merchandise or (b) all motor vehicles used for carrying freight or merchandise in the furtherance of any commercial enterprise.

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.

This section referred to in construing art. 75, sec. 28, sub-sec. 109. *Penna. R. R. Co. v. Lord*, 159 Md. 528.

### **Public Motor Vehicles Exempted.**

An. Code, 1924, sec. 174. 1912, sec. 135. 1916, ch. 687. 1918, ch. 85, sec. 135.  
1935, ch. 93.

174. All motor vehicles owned and used by the State or any City, Town, Village or County of this State and all motor vehicles owned by any incorporated volunteer fire company, incorporated in this State and used for fire-fighting or ambulance purposes are hereby exempted from the provisions of this sub-title requiring the payment of registration fees, but all such vehicles shall display identification markers approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

## **PART II.**

### **Commissioner of Motor Vehicles—Appointment of.**

175.

See notes to sec. 173.