

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. 1931, ch. 355. 1933, ch. 391.

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 And this section shall not be considered as repealed by the passage hereafter of any law providing for a different disposition of fines and penalties in any county or other municipal division of this State unless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 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 in this sub-title provided, and (except in each of the fiscal years 1934 and 1935, all moneys received as 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 accounted for and remitted by said Commissioner to the State Treasurer, who shall create a special fund thereof. Out of the special funds so created, the State Treasurer shall first pay, within the limits of the appropriations made by the General Assembly, all the salaries and expenses of the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The balance of said fund shall be disbursed, upon warrant to the Comptroller, as follows: (one-fifth) thereof shall be paid to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, for use on its roads, and the remaining four-fifths shall be credited to the account of the State Roads Commission of Maryland, to be used for the oiling, maintenance, reconstruction and repair of State roads and State-aided roads, and for no other purpose. All moneys received by the Commis-

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