

Seasonal permits may be granted for a portion of the year, if, in the judgment of the Public Service Commission, the granting thereof is deemed essential to the public welfare and convenience, and routes may be changed or abandoned, whenever, in the opinion of the Public Service Commission, the welfare and convenience of the public will not be prejudiced thereby.

In the event any such motor vehicle owner shall fail to report any information, as above provided, or shall change or abandon a route or reduce a schedule, without first obtaining the permission of the Public Service Commission, or shall operate with greater frequency than prescribed by his approved schedule, where the privilege so to do has been denied or limited, the Public Service Commission may, after due hearing, upon not less than three days' notice in writing, to be sent by registered letter to the address given by the motor vehicle owner when applying for his permit, revoke or suspend all permits issued to such motor vehicle owner under the provisions of this sub-title, and refuse thereafter to issue such permits to said motor vehicle owner.

Upon the suspension or revocation of a permit by the Public Service Commission, all certificates of registration issued to such motor vehicle owner by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall thereupon be likewise suspended or revoked.

The license, or registration fees, charged under this sub-title, as above provided, shall be on the basis of the entire year, but may be issued on or after the first day of April, July, and October, in any year for the remainder of the year expiring on the 31st day of December, in which event, three-quarters of the yearly fee, or one-half of the yearly fee, or one-quarter of the yearly fee, shall be paid.

No portion of the license or registration fee paid as aforesaid will be refunded for any part of the year during which said license is not used except that in the case of seasonal permits, or in the case of abandoned routes, a refund shall be allowed for any quarter, but no part of any quarter, for which a seasonal permit has not been used, or a license has been abandoned.

See notes to sec. 258.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 262. 1912, sec. 198. 1916, ch. 714, sec. 4.

262. It shall be the duty of the Public Service Commission of Maryland, upon the application of any motor vehicle owner for a permit to operate any motor vehicle for the public transportation of merchandise or freight over any specified route, to investigate the feasibility of granting said permit, the number of motor vehicles to be used, the rate to be charged, and if, in the judgment of the Public Service Commission it is deemed best for public welfare and convenience that said permit should be granted, said Public Service Commission is hereby empowered and authorized to grant such permit, but if said Public Service Commission deems the granting of such permit prejudicial to the welfare and convenience of the public, then the said Public Service Commission is hereby empowered and au-