

whether actually dedicated to the public and accepted by the proper authorities or otherwise; and the term shall include roads and driveways of State Hospitals and other State Institutions.

The term "safety zone" shall include all parts of the public highways or private rights of way which are elevated above the travelled roadbed, or set apart therefrom for the exclusive use of pedestrians or street car passengers and which are guarded or protected against vehicular travel by posts, plantings, curbing or otherwise, or which are appropriately marked 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 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 for 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.

The term "chauffeur" does not include person who receives compensation for services other than for operating motor vehicle, though in the performance of such services he may operate vehicle. *State v. Depew*, 175 Md. 275.

Cited in dissenting opinion in *Weissman v. Hokamp*, 171 Md. 206.

Cited in *Person v. Balto. Transit Co.*, (Judge O'Dunne, Court of Common Pleas), Daily Record, Apr. 6, 1939.

This section cited in construing Secs. 293, 295 and 304. *P. S. C. v. Lichtenberg*, Daily Record, Mar. 13, 1939.

"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. 235—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.

See sec. 162 and notes to sec. 187.

Public Motor Vehicles Exempted.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 174. 1912, sec. 135. 1916, ch. 687. 1918, ch. 85, sec. 135. 1935, ch. 93. 1937, ch. 412.

148. All motor vehicles owned and used by the State or any City, Town, Village or County of this State and all motor vehicles owned and used for personal or official purposes by accredited consular or diplomatic officers of foreign government, which officers are nationals of the state by