

by the Commissioner has been, or is being infringed upon or violated, or that any rights granted in any such permits are being exercised, or that such rights are being subject to unrestricted or unregulated competition, or that the route as set forth in the permit granted such complaining carrier is being served in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, by some other carrier without a permit, then the Public Service Commission shall notify such offender to appear before the Commission and answer such charges. Such notice shall be sent the offending carrier by registered mail to the last known address of such carrier, or shall be served upon the offending carrier as provided in Article 23, Section 357, Code of Public Local¹ Laws of Maryland, 1924 Edition. In the event the Commission shall find the allegations set forth by the complaining carrier are true, then the Commission shall notify the offending carrier to cease such operations within such time as the Commission may direct. In the event the offending carrier shall neglect or refuse to obey or observe such order of the Commission, the Commission shall notify the carrier to show cause within ten days from the date such notice is served or mailed as hereinbefore set forth why the registration certificate for such truck or trucks involved in such operation should not be revoked. If no cause is shown, or if after a hearing, following such order, the Commission shall find that no cause is shown, then the Commission shall certify to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles that the registration certificate of all truck or trucks involved in the operation complained of shall be suspended or revoked, and the condition of such revocation or suspension, and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall automatically suspend or revoke the same subject to the further order of the Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission shall, if possible, notify the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles the license number or numbers of trucks, the certificates of registration for which are to be suspended or revoked. There shall be no appeal from the action of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, but an action may be commenced to vacate and set aside any order of the Public Service Commission in the manner prescribed for the setting aside of other orders of such Commission. Nothing in this section shall be construed to extend the control or jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission to vehicles not operating as public carriers or not operating for hire on regular schedules or between fixed termini.

The rules, practice and proceedings in all hearings as hereinbefore set forth shall be governed by the rules, practices and proceedings before the Commission as in all other hearings conducted by the Commission. The Commission shall have full power to make rules and regulations necessary and incidental for the holding of hearings and the enforcement of the orders of the Commission.

In the event an offending carrier shall neglect to file an answer within the time set forth in the notice, or without obtaining an extension thereof, then the Public Service Commission may, in its sole discretion, direct the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to revoke or suspend the registration certificate of all trucks involved in the operation complained of as hereinbefore set forth.

Cited in construing Secs. 311 and 312. *Public Service Comm. v. Bakery & Dairy*, 176 Md. 193.

See notes to sec. 311.

¹ Public "General" Laws evidently intended and same section in this edition.