

addition to imposing the fine prescribed. Any person charged with the violation of any of the provisions of this sub-title, and being convicted thereof before any committing magistrate or justice of the peace of this State, shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of such magistrate to the criminal court of Baltimore city, if convicted in Baltimore city, or court of criminal jurisdiction of any county in which he may be so convicted, and such court on such appeal shall hear the case *de novo*; provided, however, that such appeal be taken within thirty days from the date of judgment. All fines imposed for violations of the provisions of this sub-title shall be turned over to the proper authorities of the city or counties to be used for street or road improvements, and no part of any such fines shall go to the informer. In case the owner of a motor vehicle shall be taken into custody because of a violation of any provision of this sub-title, he shall be forthwith taken before the nearest justice of the peace or police justice or court and be entitled to an immediate hearing, and, if such hearing cannot then be had, be released from custody on giving his personal recognizance to appear and answer for such violation at such time and place as shall then be ordered, secured by the deposit of a sum equal to the maximum fine for the offense with which he is charged, or in lieu thereof, by leaving the motor vehicle owned by such person with or in the custody of such justice of the peace, police justice or clerk of such police court, or in case such justice of the peace or police justice is not accessible be forthwith released from custody, on giving his name and address to the officer making such arrest, and depositing with such officer a sum equal to the maximum fine for the offense for which such arrest is made, or, in lieu thereof, by leaving the motor vehicle owned by such person with such officer; provided, that in such case, the officer making such arrest shall give a receipt in writing for such sum or vehicle, and by endorsements on such receipt notify such person to appear before the nearest justice of the peace or police justice or court on the following day, naming him or it, and specifying the place and hour. In case security shall be deposited, as in this section provided, it shall be returned to the person depositing the same forthwith, on such person being admitted to bail, on the surrender of the receipt or voucher given at the time to such person. If a motor vehicle shall be deposited as security aforesaid, and the owner thereof so elect and pay the