

who may use taxicab facilities therein, the Mayor and City Council of Havre de Grace are hereby authorized and empowered to enact, amend and repeal ordinances, providing regulations for the ownership and operation of taxicabs in the City of Havre de Grace, and to provide for and fix the requirements for the registration, licensing and inspection of taxicabs, their owners and operators; to provide for and fix the rates which may be charged by said taxicab owners and operators for the transportation of passengers; when, where and how said taxicabs may be parked on any of the streets, highways and alleys in said City; to require a special license for the operation of said taxicabs, provided the same is not in conflict with the Motor Vehicle Laws of the State of Maryland; to create and establish an agency such as a Taxicab Bureau in which all the powers and authority hereunder may be vested; and to limit the number of taxicabs and in general regulate the entire taxicab operation in the City of Havre de Grace. The regulations herein provided for taxicabs in the City of Havre de Grace shall be in addition to any regulations by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles of Maryland or the Public Service Commission of Maryland.

138C. Any firm, person or corporation violating any ordinance promulgated under the authority of Section 138B shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense; and in default of the payment of any fine imposed, imprisonment of the offender for a period not exceeding twenty (20) days in the county jail or until the fine be paid. In addition, the Mayor and City Council, upon proof of any violation of any ordinance promulgated under Section 138B, shall have authority to revoke or suspend any license issued thereunder, after according reasonable opportunity to the licensee to be heard in his, her or its defense.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That if any provision, clause, sentence, phrase, or part of this Act, or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act and the application of such provisions to other persons, firms and corporations and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved April 25, 1947.