

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 27A of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", subtitle "Administration—Registration—Titling", as amended by Chapters 90 and 131 of the Acts of 1945, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

27A. The County Treasurer of each county in this State, shall act as the agent of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in the registration of motor vehicles of the Class A passenger or pleasure type and the issuance of metal plates or markers, as provided in Section 27 of this Article, in like manner as if application had been made at the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Each County Treasurer shall remit to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at the close of each week all fees collected by him for the registration of motor vehicles, together with a complete record of such registration made by him during each day, except the fifteen cent fee paid to him by the applicant for his services in issuing the certificate of registration and metal plates or markers. Each applicant for registration of a motor vehicle shall, in addition to the registration or license fees required by this Article, pay a fee of fifteen cents for the services rendered by the County Treasurer in connection with such registration, this fee to be deducted each week before remitting to the said Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Each of the County Treasurers so directed to issue tags shall first provide to the State of Maryland a bond in such form and in such amount as prescribed by the Comptroller.

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall furnish each County Treasurer all the necessary forms or blanks, including reports, as well as all metal plates or markers, and all stationery necessary to enable the said County Treasurer to perform the duties herein set forth; but each County Treasurer shall pay for any additional clerks occasioned in performing these duties out of the fees payable to him. The provisions of this section shall not apply to Baltimore, Cecil, Harford, Howard and Prince George's Counties.

The following counties shall leave the decision as to whether or not this section shall apply to the Board of County Commissioners of the respective counties by appropriate resolution: Allegany, Carroll, Dorchester, Frederick, Worcester, Washington and Wicomico. The County Treasurers of Somerset County, Calvert County and Garrett County are hereby mandatorily directed to act as the agent of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in the registration of motor vehicles of the Class A. passenger or pleasure type and to issue metal plates or markers, as herein above provided.