

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Chapter 403, Acts of 1918, codified as Section 54, Article 63, in the 1916-1918 Supplement to the Annotated Code of the Maryland General Laws of Maryland, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

54. Whenever a motor vehicle or any part thereof is left by the owner or by any other person with his authority, express or implied, in the custody of any corporation, firm or individual, association, or person for repair, rebuilding, storage, or for the purpose of having furnished for or on account of the same any parts, accessories, or tires, the corporation, firm, individual, association or person in whose custody said motor vehicle or part thereof is left for all or any of the purposes aforesaid, shall have a lien on said motor vehicle or part thereof for all charges so incurred, and may lawfully retain the same until said charges have been paid, or until said lien is extinguished or discharged as hereinafter provided. Said lien shall be superior to the rights of the holders of conditional sale contracts, bills of sale, chattel mortgages or other liens or claims of any kind which are not theretofore executed and recorded or filed for record as required by law, but shall be subordinate thereto where the same have been theretofore executed and recorded as required by law. Surrender or delivery of any motor vehicle subject to the lien aforesaid shall operate as a waiver or extinguishment of the same as against third persons without notice thereof, but shall not operate as such waiver or extinguishment as against the owner or as against third persons with notice.

55. Should the owner dispute the amount of the charge, or any part thereof, for which the lien is claimed as aforesaid, such dispute may be determined by appropriate legal proceedings, and the institution of any such legal proceedings shall operate as a stay of execution under said lien until the amount thereof shall have been judicially determined, or the owner of such motor vehicle shall have the right to immediately repossess himself of his said motor vehicle upon filing a good and sufficient corporate bond, in double the amount of said claim, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County, or with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, where the corporation, firm, individual, association, or person, claiming such lien may have repaired or stored said motor vehicle, which said bond shall be approved by the Clerk of said Court,