

actively engaged in the practice of law for at least five years, who shall receive a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, and whose jurisdiction, duties and powers shall be the same as those conferred upon and required of the other Magistrates assigned to the Traffic Court as aforesaid, and who shall be designated by the Governor to sit in said court in the absence by illness or otherwise of the other Magistrates appointed to sit regularly at the Traffic Court, and at other times when it may, in the opinion of the Governor, become necessary for such additional Magistrate to sit as a member of the said Traffic Court; and such justice so designated shall not be required to give bond in a sum greater than that required of other Justices of the Peace by Section 624, of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland.

In the event that any two of said Magistrates are unable to preside at any time, the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City shall have power to provide a substitute in the same manner and at the same rate of compensation as substitutes may now be provided for Police Justices regularly assigned to Station Houses in Baltimore City.

All necessary expenses for the operation of the Traffic Court, including the salaries of the Magistrates and clerks herein provided for, shall be paid out of monies in the hands of Commissioner of Motor Vehicles realized and collected from fines and costs imposed by the Traffic Court, and should said funds be insufficient in any one year to pay said expenses, then the deficit shall be paid out of other funds in the hands of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles realized and collected by him from other sources.

Whenever the owner or operator of a motor vehicle is accused of a violation of any provision of the automobile laws of the State, or of any local ordinance, rule or regulation of any municipality or county of this State, and a warrant, summons or notice is served upon him to appear for trial before the Traffic Court, or any Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction to hear the case, he shall be notified in said warrant, summons or notice of the nature and character of the charge against him, and the day and hour of such trial shall be fixed at such time, so far as may be practicable, as shall cause the least inconvenience to such person and the witnesses in the case.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect on July 1st, 1927.

Approved March 25, 1927.