

alter, destroy or cause to be removed, defaced, altered or destroyed the word "rental" or any word, mark, device or character printed, painted, stamped, burned or otherwise placed upon or attached to any electric storage battery for the purpose of identifying the ownership thereof.

SEC. 171B. It shall be unlawful for any person, co-partnership or corporation, other than the owner thereof, to sell, dispose of, deliver, give, or attempt to sell, dispose of, deliver or give to any person, co-partnership or corporation other than the owner thereof any electric storage battery upon or to which the word "rental" or any word, mark, device, or character is printed, painted, stamped, burned, or otherwise placed or attached, for the purpose of identifying the ownership thereof.

SEC. 171C. It shall be unlawful for any person, co-partnership or corporation to recharge, except in cases of emergency or with the consent of the owner thereof, or his or its duly authorized agent, servant or employee, any electric storage battery owned by any other person, co-partnership or corporation upon or to which the word "rental" or any word, mark, device or character is printed, painted, stamped or otherwise placed or attached for the purpose of identifying the ownership thereof as belonging to or being the property of the person, co-partnership or corporation owning the same.

SEC. 171D. It shall be unlawful for any person, co-partnership or corporation other than the owner thereof to retain in his, their or its possession, for a longer period than thirty days after demand by registered mail by the owner thereof, any electric storage battery upon or to which the word "rental" or any word, mark, device or character is printed, painted, stamped, burned or otherwise placed or attached, for the purpose of identifying the ownership thereof as belonging to or being the property of the person, co-partnership or corporation owning the same.

SEC. 171E. Any person, co-partnership or corporation and the members, officers, agents and employees of any co-partnership or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That this Act shall take effect on the first day of June 1927.

Approved April 5, 1927.