

CHAPTER 585.

(House Bill 553)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 173 of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Licenses", sub-title "Motor Vehicles", Part I, Definitions, to include the roads and driveways of State Hospitals and other State Institutions within the terms "highways", "roads", "public highways" or "public roads".

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 173 of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Licenses", sub-title "Motor Vehicles" Part I Definitions, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

173. Whenever the term "Motor Vehicle" is used in this sub-title, except when otherwise expressly provided, it shall be taken to include all vehicles, including motor bicycles, motor cycles, semi-trailers, trailers, tractors, and traction engines, designed, constructed or intended to be propelled or drawn by any power other than muscular power, except such vehicles as run only upon rails or tracks or are propelled by electric power furnished by means of overhead wires.

The term "new motor vehicle" for the purposes of this law is defined to mean a motor vehicle, the ownership of which is in a manufacturer, dealer, or distributor, registered under the provisions of Section 180, and which has never been so used as to destroy its newness or to convert it into or make it a used or second-hand vehicle as these terms are commonly used or understood in trade or business.

The term "used motor vehicle" or "second-hand motor vehicle" for the purposes of this law shall be applicable to all motor vehicles other than those defined herein as new.

The term "solid tire vehicles" shall include all motor vehicles equipped with two or more solid tires, or with tires coming in contact with the road surface which are not inflated with air.

The term "local authorities" shall include all officers of counties, cities, towns or villages, as well as all boards, committees and other public officials of such counties, cities, towns or villages.

The term "State" as used in the sub-title, except when otherwise expressly provided and except in Section 190, shall also include the Territories and Federal Districts of the United States.