. Every owner or other person who has given any such notice must notify the Department of a recovery of such vehicle.

- (b) Any person who willfully and falsely, with intent to deceive, reports to the Police Authorities of this State or of any County or City of this State, that a motor vehicle, owned or operated by him, has been stolen, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than One (\$1.00) Dollar nor more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars.
- 63. ACTION BY DEPARTMENT ON REPORT OF STOLEN OR EMBEZZLED VEHICLE. (a) The Department upon receiving a report of a stolen or embezzled vehicle as hereinbefore provided shall file and appropriately index the same and shall immediately suspend the registration of the vehicle so reported and shall not transfer the registration of the same until such time as it is notified in writing that such vehicle has been recovered.
- (b) The Department shall, at least once each week, compile and maintain at its headquarters office a list of all vehicles which have been stolen or embezzled or recovered as reported to it during the preceding week, and such lists shall be open to inspection by any peace officer or other person interested in any such vehicle.
- DISPOSITION OF LOST, ABANDONED AND STOLEN MOTOR Vehicles, Etc. Whenever the owner, or person, firm or corporation entitled to the possession of any motor vehicle, or part thereof, in the custody of the Department, cannot be located and fails to claim said motor vehicle, or part thereof, for a period of three months after said motor vehicle, or part thereof, came into the custody of the said Department, the same may be disposed of by the Department, at public sale, at some place which shall be convenient and accessible to the public, at any time between the hours of 10 A. M. and 6 P. M., provided the time, place and terms of said sale, together with a full detailed description of said motor vehicle, or part thereof, shall be inserted in one or more daily newspapers published in the city or county where said sale is to take place, at least once each week for two successive weeks prior to said sale; and provided, further, that a registered notice shall be mailed at least ten days prior to said sale to the owner, lien holder, if any, shown on the records of the Department, or person, firm or corporation entitled to the possession of said motor vehicle, or part thereof, if his or its address be known, or if it can be ascertained by the exercise of reasonable diligence.

If said address cannot be ascertained by the exercise of reasonable diligence, then such notice shall not be required to be

given.