

(b) No person shall rent a motor vehicle to any other person for operation until the person in the possession of the motor vehicle to be rented has inspected the operator's or chauffeur's license of the person by whom the motor vehicle is to be operated and compared and verified the signature thereon with the signature of such person written in his presence.

(c) Every person renting a motor vehicle to another shall keep a record of the registration number of the motor vehicle so rented, the name and address of the person to whom the motor vehicle is rented, the number of the operator's license of the person who is to operate the said motor vehicle and the date and place and when and where said license was issued. Such record shall be open to inspection by any peace officer or officer or employee of the Department.

Violation of this section shall be deemed to be a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable by a fine of not more than Five hundred (\$500.00) dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one (1) year or by both such fine and imprisonment.

#### CIVIL LIABILITY.

106 SERVICE OF PROCESS UPON NON-RESIDENT OWNERS OR OPERATORS. The acceptance by a non-resident individual, firm, or corporation of the rights and privileges of using the roads and highways of Maryland, as evidenced by his, their, or its operation of a motor vehicle on any of the public highways within the limits of this State, shall be deemed equivalent to an appointment by such non-resident individual, firm or corporation of the Secretary of State, or his successor in office, to be his, their or its true and lawful attorney upon whom may be served all lawful processes in any action or proceeding instituted, filed or pending against him, them or it, growing out of any accident or collision in which said non-resident may be involved, while operating or causing to be operated, a motor vehicle on such public highway and said acceptance of the rights and privileges of using said highways or the operation of said motor vehicle by said non-resident individual, firm or corporation within this State, shall be a signification of his, their or its agreement that such process be of the same legal force and validity (except as hereinafter provided) as if served on him, them or it personally.

(a) SERVICE OF PROCESS DEFENDANT NOTIFIED BY REGISTERED MAIL. Service of such persons shall be made by leaving a copy of the process with a fee of \$2.00 in the hands of the Secretary of State or in his office, and such service shall be sufficient service upon the said non-resident individual, firm or corporation, and of full force and effect in any court and before any