

new sections to be known respectively as 532A, 532B, and 532C, to follow immediately after Section 532 of said Article, providing for the disposition at public auction by the Chief of Police of Baltimore County of all lost, abandoned, stolen, lawfully seized or unclaimed property of every kind and description, in the custody or under the control of the Police Department of Baltimore County, authorizing the transfer of title to motor vehicles so sold upon certificate of the Chief of Police, and providing for the disposition of monies realized from any sales.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That three new sections be, and they are hereby, added to Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Baltimore County", sub-title "Police and Police Stations", said new sections to be known as Sections 532A, 532B, and 532C, and to follow immediately after Section 532 of said Article, and to read as follows:

532A. The Chief of Police of Baltimore County is hereby authorized and empowered to sell, at public auction, any and all lost, abandoned, stolen, lawfully seized or unclaimed property, of every kind and description remaining unclaimed for ninety days or more in the possession or under the control of the Police Department of Baltimore County, provided that the Chief of Police of Baltimore County shall, prior to any public auction sale, advertise, once in one or more newspapers printed and published in Baltimore County, that on some day to be named in said advertisement, not less than ten days after the publication thereof, he will offer for sale, at public auction, such lost, abandoned, stolen, lawfully seized or unclaimed property, which advertisement shall set forth the time, place and terms of said sale, together with a detailed description of the property to be sold, and provided further that the Chief of Police of Baltimore County, before selling any property as herein provided, shall make a reasonable effort to ascertain the owner or owners thereof, and shall, if the owner or owners and his, her, their, or its residence be known, mail a registered notice to said owner or owners at such residence, at least ten days prior to the date of sale.

532B. The certificate of the Chief of Police of Baltimore County that he has sold any motor vehicle at public auction to a purchaser shall constitute sufficient evidence of title to any motor vehicle thus sold, in order to enable any such purchaser to obtain a certificate of title and registration from the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles of Maryland.

532C. From the proceeds of any public auction sale, the Chief of Police of Baltimore County shall, in the order here