

CHAPTER 471

(Senate Bill 406)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", said new section to be known as Section 352A, to follow immediately after Section 352 of said Article and to be under the sub-title "Health—Narcotic Drugs", providing that any motor vehicle or other vehicle, vessel or aircraft used in the concealment, conveying or transporting of narcotic drugs or in the violation of any laws in said sub-title, shall be forfeited to the county or to Baltimore City upon any conviction for such offense and relating further to the use or disposition to be made of such vehicle, vessel or aircraft.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", said new section to be known as Section 352A, to follow immediately after Section 352 of said Article, and to be under the sub-title "Health—Narcotic Drugs", and to read as follows:

352A. In addition to any other fines or penalties provided for a violation of the provisions of this sub-title, any motor vehicle or other vehicle, vessel or aircraft used or employed in the concealment, conveying or transporting of any such narcotic drugs, or used during the course of any violation of this sub-title by any person or persons convicted of the same, shall upon the conviction or convictions be declared by the Court to be forfeited to the county or to Baltimore City, as the case may be; PROVIDED THAT NO VEHICLE SHALL BE FORFEITED HEREUNDER UNLESS THE OWNER THEREOF AUTHORIZED OR PERMITTED SUCH USE OR EMPLOYMENT. The County Commissioners or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore at their discretion may use the said vehicle for public purposes or may exchange, sell or convey it to another person or persons; and any cash or moneys received therefor shall be added to the general funds of the county or City of Baltimore.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

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