or actions so assigned, or fails or neglects to provide an adequate defense or otherwise fails to act in the public interest in handling assignments, it may, not less than thirty days after written notice to the principal office of such insurer, designate an adjuster, adjusted expense, and also designate an attorney to conduct such defense at the insurer's expense. ALTERNATE INSURANCE COMPANY FROM THE UNSATISFIED CLAIM AND JUDGMENT FUND'S REGULAR INSURANCE COMPANY ASSIGNMENT LIST TO MAKE THE INVESTIGATION AND ALSO DESIGNATE AN ATTORNEY TO CONDUCT SUCH DEFENSE, ALL AT THE EXPENSE OF THE FIRST DESIGNATED INSURER. Upon making such designation, the Board shall notify the FIRST DESIGNATED insurer as to the name and address of the attorney, adjustment company or adjuster, ALTERNATE INSURER AND ATTORNEY, and shall advise the FIRST DESIGNATED insurer that such investigation and defense will be made at the expense of the FIRST DESIGNATED insurer. A copy of this notice shall also be mailed to the State Insurance Department.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved April 21, 1967.

CHAPTER 449

(Senate Bill 222)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 32 (f) of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", subtitle "Administration—Registration—Titling", to repeal the special fee charged members of Veterans of Foreign Wars for special motor vehicle registration plates.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 32 (f) of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", subtitle "Administration—Registration—Titling", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

32.

(f) Upon application to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles by the owner of any registered passenger motor vehicle, accompanied with due proof that said owner is a bona fide member of the Department of Maryland, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and also upon certification to the Department of Motor Vehicles by the department commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, State of Maryland, in office at the time of said application that clearance has been made through his office and said request is not in excess of the number of tags which the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may determine can be manufactured in conformity with the combinations permissible under this article, and upon payment of **[a fee of \$.50]** in