

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

Approved April 14, 1967.

CHAPTER 220

(House Bill 263)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 331 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Offenses and Prosecutions," authorizing justices of the peace or trial magistrates to try cases upon warrant or Maryland uniform traffic summons duly sworn to and prepared in the form required by law.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 331 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Offenses and Prosecutions," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

331.

Every justice of the peace or trial magistrate shall maintain within the limits of the county for which he is appointed a suitable office for the transaction of his duties as such, and shall under no circumstances try any case involving a violation of any provision of the motor vehicle laws of the State, or impose or collect any fine or collateral in any case except within said office or, if outside his office hours, within the house in which he regularly resides.

The fees of justices of the peace or trial magistrate in cases involving alleged violation of the motor vehicle laws of this State shall be as follows:

In cases in which there is a guilty plea entered, the fee for entering such plea shall be three dollars (\$3.00).

In cases in which a not guilty plea is entered, but there is a conviction of guilty entered, the fee for entering the guilty plea shall be four dollars (\$4.00).

And no justice of the peace or trial magistrate shall charge, receive or attempt to collect any fees other than or in excess of those enumerated in this section in any case arising under this article.

No justice shall try any case except upon warrant or *Maryland uniform traffic summons sworn to and* duly prepared in the form required by law, which shall be preserved with the other papers pertaining to his office.

And no such justice shall collect any fine or costs in any case involving a violation of the motor vehicle laws of this State until he has completed the entries pertaining to such case in his docket kept for the making of his record, and all such dockets shall be preserved and transmitted to the clerks of the court as required by Article 52