

or trial magistrate has stricken out the forfeiture, provided that the defendant is found not guilty of the offense charged. If the defendant is found guilty of the offense charged, but his fine is less than the amount of the forfeited bond or collateral, the State Treasurer shall reimburse any amount received by him which is in excess of the fine.

§ 17-104. Penalties for weight violations.

(a) Upon conviction of any person for a violation of any provisions of Subtitle 14 of this article or of Article 89B dealing with weight upon highways, the following fines shall be imposed:

(1) For a weight violation over the registered weight or any statutory weight limit, a fine of 2 cents for every pound of excess weight up to 5,000 pounds shall be imposed;

(1) A LOADING ERROR OR TOLERANCE OF 1,000 POUNDS IS ALLOWABLE AND ONLY WEIGHT IN EXCESS OF SAID 1,000 POUNDS TOLERANCE SHALL BE A VIOLATION. FOR A WEIGHT VIOLATION OVER THE REGISTERED WEIGHT OR ANY STATUTORY WEIGHT LIMIT, AND THE 1,000 POUNDS TOLERANCE AFORESAID, A FINE OF TWO CENTS (\$.02) FOR EVERY POUND OF EXCESS WEIGHT UP TO 5,000 POUNDS SHALL BE IMPOSED. THE MINIMUM FINE SHALL BE TWENTY DOLLARS (\$20.00).

(2) For a weight violation in excess of 5,000 pounds over the registered weight or any statutory weight limit, a fine of 6 cents for each additional pound of excess weight over 5,000 pounds shall be imposed.

(b) Upon conviction for any violation, no fine shall be suspended or reduced, but in computing the fine a credit of any excess weight caused by an accumulation of cinders, snow, or ice shall be given. If the vehicle being operated at the time the offense is committed is registered outside of Maryland, or if the person responsible for the violation or the person operating the vehicle is a nonresident of the State of Maryland, further proceedings shall be had as provided in Subtitle 16 as to the person, or the vehicle shall be impounded until the fine is paid or acceptable collateral posed. The impounding of the vehicle does not include the cargo, and the cargo shall not be held. If after 90 days from the date the vehicle was impounded, the fine has not been paid or acceptable collateral posted, the vehicle may be sold at public auction under the jurisdiction of the court to satisfy the fine, accrued interest, and costs.

Subtitle 18

Records and Reports of Convictions.

§ 18-101. Record of traffic cases—report of convictions to department.

(a) Every magistrate or judge of a court shall keep or cause to be kept a record of every traffic complaint, traffic citation or other legal form of traffic charge deposited with or presented to the court or its traffic-violations bureau, and shall keep a record of every official action by the court or its traffic-violations bureau in reference thereto, including but not limited to a record of every conviction, forfeiture resulting from every traffic complaint or citation deposited with or presented to the court or traffic-violations bureau.