

title. The sales receipt at such a sale shall be sufficient title only for purposes of transferring the vehicle to a scrap processor for demolition, wrecking, or dismantling, and in such case, no further titling of the vehicle is necessary. From the proceeds of the sale of an abandoned motor vehicle the police department shall reimburse itself for the expenses of the auction, the costs of towing, preserving, and storing the vehicle which resulted from placing the abandoned motor vehicle in custody, and all notice and publication costs incurred pursuant to subsection (c) [subsections (a) and (b)] of this section. Any remainder from the proceeds of a sale shall be held for the owner of the vehicle or entitled lienholder for ninety days, and then shall be deposited with the State Treasurer in a special fund which shall remain available for the payment of auction, towing, preservation, storage, and all notice and publication costs which result from placing other abandoned vehicles in custody, whenever the proceeds from a sale of such other abandoned motor vehicles are insufficient to meet these expenses and costs. Whenever the State Treasurer finds that moneys in the special funds are in excess of reserves likely to be needed for the purposes thereof, he may transfer the excess to the general fund, but in such event claims against the special fund, if the special fund is temporarily exhausted, shall be met from the general fund to the limit of any transfers previously made thereto pursuant to this subsection.

(e) *Vehicles abandoned in garages, etc.*—Any motor vehicle left for more than ten days in a garage operated for commercial purposes after notice by registered mail, return receipt requested from the addressee, to the owner to pick up the vehicle, or for more than ten days after the period when, pursuant to contract, the vehicle was to remain on the premises, and any motor vehicle left for more than ten days in the garage by someone other than the registered owner or left by a person authorized to have possession of the motor vehicle under a contract of use, service, storage, or repair, shall be deemed an abandoned vehicle and reported by the garage keeper to the police department. Any garage keeper who fails to report the possession of the vehicle within ten days after it becomes abandoned within the meaning of this subsection, no longer has any claim for servicing, storage or repair of the vehicle. All abandoned vehicles left in garages may be taken into custody by the police department and sold in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section, unless the motor vehicle is reclaimed and garage keeper is paid. The proceeds of the sale shall be applied first to the garage keeper's charges for servicing, storage, or repair, and any surplus proceeds shall be distributed in accordance with subsection (d) of this section. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to impair any lien of a garage keeper under the laws of this State, or the right of a lienholder to foreclose. For the purposes of this subsection "garage keeper" means any operator of a parking place or establishment, motor vehicle storage facility, or establishment for the servicing, repair, or maintenance of motor vehicles.

(f) *Disposition of vehicle to scrap processor or wrecker.*—(1) Any person, firm, corporation, or unit of government upon whose property or in whose possession is found any abandoned motor vehicle, or any person being the owner of a motor vehicle whose title certificate is faulty, lost or destroyed, may apply to the police department of the jurisdiction in which the vehicle is situated for author-