

STANCES OF THE SEIZURE AND HAS PERSONALLY DETERMINED, ACCORDING TO THE ABOVE GUIDELINES, THAT FORFEITURE IS WARRANTED AND SO REPRESENTS IN WRITING TO THE APPROPRIATE STATE'S ATTORNEY.

~~(e)~~ (G) Upon the seizure of a motor vehicle ~~as provided in this section~~ AND THE RECOMMENDATION OF FORFEITURE, the State's Attorney for the county or City of Baltimore where the seizure is made shall notify the Administrator of Motor Vehicles by certified mail of the seizure and of the motor or serial number of the motor vehicle seized. The Administrator shall promptly certify to the State's Attorney the name and address of the owner. The term "owner" in this subtitle includes lienholder as well as owner as those terms are defined in Article 66½ of the Code.

~~(d)~~ (H) The State's Attorney for the county or Baltimore City where the seizure is made shall notify the owner of the motor vehicle by certified mail of the seizure and of the determination by the State's Attorney of whether the owner knew or should have known that the motor vehicle was being, or was to be, used in ~~the perpetration of or in connection with a felony~~ VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.

~~(e)~~ (I) If the State's Attorney determines INDEPENDENT OF THE DECISION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OR FORCE WHICH SEIZED THE MOTOR VEHICLE that the owner ~~neither knew nor should have known~~ of the use or intended use of the motor vehicle in violation of this section, ~~STANDARDS FOR SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE WERE NOT VIOLATED~~ he MOTOR VEHICLE FALLS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF SUBSECTION (F)(2)(I), (II) OR (III) OR THAT THE STANDARDS TO BE UTILIZED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (F)(1) WERE NOT MET HE shall surrender the vehicle upon request to the owner.

~~(f)~~ (J) If the State's Attorney determines that the vehicle should be forfeited to the State, he shall petition the Circuit Court of the ~~county or the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, as the case may be,~~ APPROPRIATE SUBDIVISION in the name of the State of Maryland against the motor vehicle as designated by make, model, year, and motor or serial number. The petition shall allege the seizure and set forth in general terms the causes or grounds of forfeiture. It shall also pray that the motor vehicle be condemned as forfeited to the State and disposed of according to law.

~~(g)~~ (K) If the owner or owners of the vehicle are unknown or cannot be found, notice of the seizure and intended forfeiture proceedings shall be made by publication in one or more newspapers published in the county in which the action is brought if there be one so published, and if not, in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in said county. In Baltimore City the notice shall be published in one or more of the daily newspapers published in the City. The notice shall state the substance and object of the original petition and give notice of the intended forfeiture proceedings.

~~(h)~~ (L) Within 30 days after service of the notice of seizure and intended forfeiture proceedings or within 30 days after the date of publication, the owner of the motor vehicle seized may file an answer under oath to the petition.

~~(i)~~ (M) If the owner of the seized motor vehicle desires to obtain possession thereof before the hearing on the petition filed against