

(I) IF THE OWNER OF THE SEIZED MOTOR VEHICLE DESIRES TO OBTAIN POSSESSION THEREOF BEFORE THE HEARING ON THE PETITION FILED AGAINST THE VEHICLE, THE CLERK OF THE COURT WHERE THE PETITION IS FILED SHALL HAVE AN APPRAISAL MADE BY THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY OR CITY IN WHICH THE COURT IS LOCATED. THE SHERIFF SHALL PROMPTLY INSPECT AND RENDER AN APPRAISAL OF THE VALUE OF THE VEHICLE AND RETURN THE APPRAISAL, IN WRITING, UNDER OATH, TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT IN WHICH THE PROCEEDINGS ARE PENDING. UPON THE FILING OF THE APPRAISAL, THE OWNER MAY GIVE BOND PAYABLE TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND, IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE APPRAISED VALUE OF THE VEHICLE PLUS COURT COSTS WHICH MAY ACCRUE, WITH SECURITY TO BE APPROVED BY THE CLERK, AND CONDITIONED FOR PERFORMANCE ON THE FINAL JUDGMENT OF THE COURT AFTER THE HEARING ON THE PETITION, THE COURT DIRECTS THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE OR SUCH INTEREST OR EQUITY AS THE OWNER MAY HAVE THEREIN, BE FORFEITED, JUDGMENT MAY THEREUPON BE ENTERED AGAINST THE OBLIGORS ON THE BOND FOR THE PENALTY THEREOF, WITHOUT FURTHER OR OTHER PROCEEDING, TO BE DISCHARGED BY THE PAYMENT OF THE APPRAISED VALUE OF THE VEHICLE SO SEIZED AND FORFEITED AND COSTS, UPON WHICH JUDGMENT EXECUTION MAY ISSUE.

[(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 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.]

{i} (J) (1) IF, AFTER A FULL HEARING, THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE SHOULD NOT BE FORFEITED, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE BE RELEASED.

(2) (I) IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE SHOULD BE FORFEITED, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE BE FORFEITED TO THE STATE.

(II) IF, HOWEVER, THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE FORFEITED MOTOR VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO A BONA FIDE RECORDED SECURITY INTEREST CREATED WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE WAS BEING, OR WAS TO BE USED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE BE RELEASED WITHIN 5 DAYS TO THE SECURED PARTY OF RECORD.

(III) THE SECURED PARTY SHALL SELL THE MOTOR VEHICLE IN A COMMERCIALY REASONABLE MANNER.

(IV) THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE SHALL BE APPLIED AS FOLLOWS:

1. TO THE COURT COSTS OF THE FORFEITURE PROCEEDING;

2. TO THE BALANCE DUE ~~ON-ANY-LIEN~~ THE SECURED PARTY INCLUDING ALL REASONABLE COSTS INCIDENT TO THE SALE;