

## CHAPTER 31.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 179 of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Licenses," "sub-title "Motor Vehicles," sub-heading "Registration of Motor Vehicles and Operators," changing the time for the issuance of registration certificates or markers.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 179 of Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Licenses," sub-title "Motor Vehicles," sub-heading "Registration of Motor Vehicles and Operators," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

179. Every owner of one or more motor vehicles before the same shall be operated in this State, and except as hereinafter otherwise provided, shall fill in and file with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, on a blank furnished by the Commissioner, an application for the registration of such motor vehicles, containing such information as shall be required by the Commissioner. The horsepower of all motor vehicles propelled by gas engines, except motorcycles, shall be computed and recorded upon the following formula, and the annual registration fee, hereinafter provided for, paid in accordance herewith: Square the diameter of the cylinder, multiply by the number of cylinders and divide by two and one-half. For all motor vehicles propelled by steam engines, other than tractors and traction engines, the rating shall be based on the system of rating adopted by the United States Government. Should any other motor power be used, and in case of motor vehicles having solid tires, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is empowered to adopt such formula to govern their rating as he may deem proper. The said Commissioner of Motor Vehicles upon the payment of the registration fee hereinafter provided for, shall file such application in his office and register such motor vehicle, assigning to it a distinguishing number or mark, and shall thereupon issue to the owner thereof a certificate of registration which shall contain the name, place of residence and post office address of the owner, and the number or mark assigned to such motor vehicle. Such certificate shall be in convenient form, and shall at all times be carried upon such motor vehicle, and shall be subject to examination upon demand by any