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NOTICE

To All License Inspectors, County Probate Judges, County License Commissioners, and Other Licensing Officials

On April 30, 2010, Governor Bob Riley signed into law Act 2010-732 which will become effective July 1, 2010.

- This Act requires that all dealers purchasing precious items for the purpose of reselling such items purchase an annual state and county business license with a copy being forwarded to the local law enforcement agency within 5 days.
- Precious items include items made in whole or in part of gold, silver, or platinum, and precious or semiprecious stones or pearls.
- The amount of the license is \$100.00 for the state license and \$50.00 for the county license. Licenses are to be purchased from the county where the permanent place of business is located.
- Pursuant to the Act, a dealer is defined as, “any person, corporation, or partnership that engages in the business of purchasing precious items for the purpose of reselling such items in any form.” A dealer does not include a manufacturer, retail merchant, pawnbroker licensed by the Alabama State Banking Department or person in the wholesale business.
- Dealers may only operate from a permanent place of business listed on the business license and a copy of the law must be displayed at the business location.
- Records concerning the sale of precious items must be maintained for a period of six months and must be available for inspection by local law enforcement.
- Each dealer, at least once each week in which a purchase is made, must forward a list of the items purchased to the local law enforcement to include the following items:
 - Brand name and serial number of the item(s) purchased
 - Accurate description of item
 - Date and time item was received
 - Amount paid for each item
 - Name, address, date of birth, and signature of person from whom the dealer purchased the item
 - Description of person, including height, weight, race, complexion and hair color
 - Valid identification card (drivers license, non-drivers license, Armed Services, or other valid photo identification) to include a traceable serial number
 - List describing the items purchased
- Items purchased shall be held in the same shape and form as received for 15 business days after delivering the list to the local law enforcement agency.
- Persons who violate the provisions of this Act are guilty of a Class B misdemeanor.

If you have questions regarding the Act, please contact us at the below address or telephone number.

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