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CHAPTER 145

AN ACT to amend 129.18 (1), (3), (4) and (5) of the statutes, relating to persons dealing in secondhand goods.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

129.18 (1), (3), (4) and (5) of the statutes are amended to read:

129.18 (1) Every dealer or manufacturer of articles composed, in whole or in part, of gold, silver, precious stones, copper, lead or brass,

doing business in * * * this state, who * * * obtains, by purchase or exchange, any *secondhand firearm, whether smooth bore, shotgun, rifle or hand gun or any secondhand article made in whole or in part, of gold, silver, precious stones, copper, lead or brass*, shall, within 24 hours after receiving such article, report to the chief of police *or the sheriff of the county* the fact that the same has been received, with the name, address and description of the person from whom such article was received, together with a description of such article and no such dealer or manufacturer shall destroy or alter the form of any such secondhand article until the expiration of 24 hours from the time the same was received by him.

(3) Such book and entries as well as every such secondhand article received by such dealer or manufacturer, shall, at all reasonable time be open to the inspection of *the sheriff or the chief of police* * * * or any policeman designated by the chief for such purpose.

(4) Such *sheriff or chief of police* may cause any article referred to in sub. (1) which he * * * has reason to believe was sold or exchanged by some person other than the owner, to be held for the purpose of identification by its owner, for such reasonable length of time as * * * *he deems* necessary.

(5) * * * *Any person violating* * * * this section * * * *may be fined not* * * * *more than \$100 nor less than \$10, or* * * * *imprisoned not to exceed 6 months, or* * * * *both* * * *.

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