## **SENATE BILL 844**

C27lr2854 By: Carroll County Senators Introduced and read first time: February 19, 2007 Assigned to: Rules Re-referred to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs, February 22, 2007 Committee Report: Favorable with amendments Senate action: Adopted Read second time: March 20, 2007 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Carroll County - Regulation of Pawnbrokers and Secondhand Precious **Metal Object** Dealers FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Carroll County by ordinance to license and regulate pawnbrokers and secondhand precious metal object dealers for certain purposes; authorizing the County Commissioners to adopt certain ordinances; and generally relating to the regulation of pawnbrokers and secondhand precious metal object dealers in Carroll County. BY adding to The Public Local Laws of Carroll County Section 6–105 Article 7 – Public Local Laws of Maryland (2004 Edition and September 2006 Supplement, as amended)

## Article 7 - Carroll County

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

## EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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- 2 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "SECONDHAND DEALER" DOES NOT INCLUDE
  3 SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS REGULATED UNDER TITLE
  4 12 OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE.
- 5 (B) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BY ORDINANCE MAY LICENSE AND 6 REGULATE PAWNBROKERS AND SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT 7 DEALERS TO IDENTIFY STOLEN PROPERTY, TO PREVENT THE DISPOSITION OF 8 STOLEN PROPERTY, AND TO RETURN STOLEN PROPERTY TO ITS OWNERS.
- 9 (B) (C) SUBSECTION (A) (B) OF THIS SECTION AUTHORIZES THE 10 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ADOPT ORDINANCES TO:
- 11 (1) ESTABLISH RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS;
- 12 (2) ESTABLISH REPORTING REQUIREMENTS;
- 13 **(3) SET FEES**;
- 14 **(4) ESTABLISH HOLDING PERIODS;**
- 15 **(5)** ESTABLISH METHODS OF ENFORCEMENT;
- 16 **(6) SET CIVIL PENALTIES;**
- 17 **(7) DEFINE TERMS; AND**
- 18 **(8)** REGULATE PAWNBROKERS AND SECONDHAND PRECIOUS
  19 METAL OBJECT DEALERS AS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT OF THIS
  20 SECTION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.