

No. 1986-152

AN ACT

SB 734

Providing for appraisals of jewelry.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Jewelry Appraisal Act.

Section 2. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“Jewelry.” Includes any item made out of a precious metal, a diamond, or a precious or semiprecious stone.

“Jeweler.” A person who is in the business of buying or selling items of jewelry.

Section 3. Appraisal costs.

Any jeweler who conducts appraisals of pieces of jewelry for a fee shall charge a flat rate. No jeweler may make an appraisal in which his appraisal cost or fee is based upon the value or apparent value of the item sought to be appraised.

Section 4. Penalty.

A jeweler who violates the provisions of this act commits a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 for the first offense and \$200 for the second or any subsequent offense.

Section 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 11th day of December, A. D. 1986.

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