

347B.

No person shall operate a pawn shop without obtaining a license from the clerk of the circuit court. This license shall be issued annually and the annual fee shall be two hundred dollars (\$200.00). The license shall expire on July 1 of each year. One license is required for each place of business and the license must be displayed in a conspicuous place at the place of business.

347C.

Any applicant for a pawn shop license must present to the clerk a certificate from the Maryland State Police indicating whether the records of this organization show that the applicant has been convicted of any crimes, and if so, specifying the particular crimes. If the applicant has been convicted of a felony or the crime of receiving stolen goods, the clerk shall not issue the license. Any licensee convicted of a felony or such crime shall have his license revoked.

347D.

Every person operating a pawn shop shall maintain records on each item accepted and these records must be kept for a three-year period. These records must contain a full description of the article pawned, and the pawn ticket number and the date pawned. A copy of the records for each article pawned must be submitted to the Maryland State Police within twenty-four hours after the article has been accepted.

347E.

No article shall be accepted by a pawn shop without a numbered pawn ticket being prepared for the article. Part of the ticket shall be given the pledgor of the article and part shall be retained by the pawn shop. The part retained shall contain the signature and address of the pledgor. Each article shall be marked with the number of its pawn ticket. No pawn shop shall accept any article from any pledgor under the age of twenty-one. No pawn shop shall sell any item accepted as security within fifteen days after taking possession of the article.

347F.

Any person violating the provisions of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and such violation is grounds for revocation of their license.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved March 22, 1968.

CHAPTER 66
(House Bill 911)

AN ACT to repeal Section 461D of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1965 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title, "Harford County" subtitle