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THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE APPLY TO ANY AND ALL HOSPITALS OR FACILITIES LICENSED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 43 WHICH AFFORD CARE OR TREATMENT, OR BOTH, TO MENTAL PATIENTS.

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(a) No private facility shall admit, receive or detain any patients having any mental disorder for the purpose of care or treatment of such disorder unless it is licensed to do so by the Department DIVISION OF LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

(b) The Secretary shall from time to time adopt rules and regulations for the licensing of such facilities toward the end that care and treatment of patients shall be provided in accordance with § 2 of this article. [Licensing provided for in this subtitle shall be in addition to licensing required by Article 43 of this Code.]

(c) Applications for licenses shall be made to the Department SECRETARY in such form and supply such detail as it may from time to time require.

(d) Upon receipt of an application for licensing, the Department shall promptly undertake an investigation of the applicant. If it finds that the applicant meets the requirements of its rules and regulations established under subsection (b) above, it shall grant the license.-}-

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Approved May 12, 1981.

CHAPTER 436

(House Bill 1221)

AN ACT concerning

Secondhand Precious Metals and Gem Dealers

FOR the purpose of defining certain terms relating to precious metals and gem dealers; requiring certain dealers to maintain certain records, make certain reports, and hold certain merchandise for a certain period; providing an exception to the holding period;