- (G) IF THE PRIMARY LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT HAS GIVEN THE ALLEGED OWNER NOTICE THAT AN ITEM HAS BEEN LOCATED THAT MATCHES A STOLEN PROPERTY REPORT FILED BY THE ALLEGED OWNER AND, WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THAT THE COPY OF THE RECORD OF THE ACQUISITION OF THE ITEM WAS SUBMITTED BY THE DEALER TO THE PRIMARY LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT, NO ACTION IS TAKEN TO RECOVER THE ITEM BY THE ALLEGED OWNER, THEN THE DEALER IN POSSESSION OF THE ITEM MAY TREAT THE ITEM AS REGULARLY ACQUIRED IN THE DUE COURSE OF BUSINESS.
- (II) IF THE ALLEGED OWNER CHOOSES TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE PROSECUTION OF THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF, THEN THE CHARGES OF THEFT FROM THE ALLEGED OWNER AND THEFT FROM THE DEALER SHALL BE HEARD IN A JOINT TRIAL.
- (I) IF THE ALLEGED OWNER INITIATES A REQUEST FOR PROSECUTION AND AGREES TO BE A COMPLAINING WITNESS AGAINST THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF, A CHARGING DOCUMENT IS OBTAINED AGAINST THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF, AND THE ALLEGED OWNER PARTICIPATES FULLY IN THE PROSECUTION OF THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF:
- (1) THE ITEM SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE ALLEGED OWNER, WHETHER OR NOT THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF IS FOUND GUILTY OF THE CHARGE OF THEFT OF THE ITEM; AND
- (2) THE COURT SHALL ORDER THE DEFENDANT TO PAY THE DEALER THE OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DEALER IN THE ACQUISITION OF THE ITEM, IF THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF IS FOUND GUILTY OF THE CHARGE OF THEFT OF THE ITEM.
- (J) IF THE ALLEGED OWNER INITIATES A REQUEST FOR PROSECUTION AND AGREES TO BE A COMPLAINING WITNESS AGAINST THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF, A CHARGING DOCUMENT IS OBTAINED AGAINST THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF, AND THE ALLEGED OWNER CHOOSES TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE PROSECUTION OF THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF BUT THE STATE CHOOSES NOT TO PROSECUTE THE IDENTIFIED ALLEGED THIEF FOR THE THEFT OF THE ITEM, THEN THE ITEM SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE ALLEGED OWNER.

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- (a) [A] EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A person who willfully or knowingly violates this title is guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or both.
- (B) A PERSON WHO WILLFULLY OR KNOWINGLY DOES BUSINESS AS A DEALER, OTHER THAN AS A PAWNBROKER WHO ENGAGES IN A BUSINESS TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT INVOLVE THE ACQUISITION OF A SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT, IN THE STATE WITHOUT A LICENSE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND, ON CONVICTION, IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 2 YEARS OR BOTH.