

By: Turner of Harris

H.B. No. 488

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to county or municipal regulation of crafted precious
3 metal dealers; providing a criminal penalty.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 1956, Occupations Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 1956.06125 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 1956.06125. REGISTRATION WITH COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY.

8 A county or municipality may:

9 (1) require a person to obtain a license or permit from
10 the county or municipality before the person engages in the
11 business of purchasing and selling crafted precious metal in that
12 county or municipality; and

13 (2) impose a fee for the issuance or renewal of the
14 license or permit.

15 SECTION 2. Section 1956.069(a), Occupations Code, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 (a) A person commits an offense if the person:

18 (1) fails to make or permit inspection of a report as
19 required by Section 1956.062 or 1956.063;

20 (2) violates Section 1956.0612 or 1956.064;

21 (3) fails to obtain or retain a statement as required
22 by Section 1956.066;

23 (4) fails to file a registration statement as required
24 by Section 1956.067; [~~or~~]

1 (5) purchases an object in violation of Section
2 1956.068; or

3 (6) fails to obtain a license or permit required by a
4 county or municipality as authorized under Section 1956.06125.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.