

BOROUGH OF BERLIN
ORDINANCE NO. 2017-02
2ND Reading

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 238-6C OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
BERLIN ENTITLED DEALERS IN PRECIOUS METALS, GEMS AND
SECONDHAND GOODS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Berlin (Borough^o) is a municipal entity organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County; and

WHEREAS, the Borough recognizes that burglaries and theft are an ongoing issue; and

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to aid the Police Department in the recovery of stolen property; and

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to hold businesses accountable and deter criminals from selling stolen property within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 12, 2015, the Borough adopted Ordinance No. 2015-02 creating said ordinance.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Berlin, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 238 of the Code of the Berlin of Berlin is amended as follows:


Section 1: Chapter §238-6C. of the Code of the Borough of Berlin, is hereby amended as follows: The precious metals are to be made available for inspection by the Chief of Police of the Borough of Berlin for a period of ten (10) business days from the date the information required above is received by the Chief of Police on the approved form and entered into the computerized database by the Chief of Police. The precious metals shall remain in the same condition as when purchased and shall not be changed, modified, melted or disposed of by the purchaser until the ten (10) day period has expired. During this ten (10) day period, the precious metals shall be placed in public view at the purchaser's place of business. If the property is such that it would create a hardship on the Dealer by holding the precious metals for such period, the Dealer may present the property to the Chief of Police in order that it may be photographed and, if deemed necessary by the Chief of Police, an investigation be implemented. The Chief of Police has the authority to grant the Dealer a waiver of the requirement under this section.

Section 2: All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3: If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

ATTEST: 
Lois Sahina, RMC, Borough Clerk


James A. Bilella, II, Mayor

I, Lois Sahina, Clerk of the Borough of Berlin, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Borough Council and approved by the Mayor of the Borough of Berlin at their meeting of January 26, 2017 held in the Municipal Building, 59 South White Horse Pike, Berlin Borough, New Jersey 08009.

Lois Sahina, RMC, Borough Clerk
INTRODUCED: JANUARY 26, 2017
ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 22, 2017