

ORDINANCE NO. 6383

AN ORDINANCE relating to business licenses; prohibiting certain transactions by pawnbrokers or secondhand dealers, amending Ordinance 521, Section 1 and K.C.C. 6.56.100; amending Ordinance 623, Section 3, and K.C.C. 6.60.140.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 521, Section 1, and K.C.C. 6.56.100 are hereby amended as follows:

Certain transactions prohibited.

A. It is unlawful for any pawnbroker, his clerk or employee to receive in pledge, or purchase, any article or thing known to him to be stolen, any article or thing from any person who is under eighteen years of age; intoxicated; (~~an-habitual-drunkard~~) addicted to the use of drugs; or from any person who is known to be a thief, or a receiver of stolen property, or from any person who he has reason to suspect or believe to be such.

B. It is unlawful for any pawnbroker, his clerk or employee, to refuse to return property which has been identified as stolen or pawned without authorization, to any person the pawnbroker, his clerk or employee knows to be the rightful owner, or to charge a fee for the return of such property to the rightful owner.

1. "Identified as stolen/or pawned without authorization" shall mean any property which has been reported by the rightful owner to legitimate authority as missing or stolen.

2.. "The rightful owner", unless otherwise proven, shall be considered to be the person having possession of the property prior to the theft or removal without authorization.

1            SECTION 2. Ordinance 623, Section 3, and K.C.C. 6.60.140  
2 are hereby amended as follows:

3            Certain transactions prohibited.

4            A. It is unlawful for any secondhand dealer, his clerk or  
5 employee, to purchase or receive any article or thing known by  
6 him to be stolen, any article or thing from a person who is  
7 under eighteen years of age, intoxicated, (~~an-habitual-drunkard~~)  
8 addicted to the use of drugs, or from any person who is known to  
9 be a thief, or a receiver of stolen property, or from any person  
10 who he has reason to suspect or believe to be such.

11           B. It is unlawful for any secondhand dealer, his clerk or  
12 employee, to refuse to return property which has been identified  
13 as stolen or sold without authorization, to any person the  
14 secondhand dealer, his clerk or employee, knows to be the  
15 rightful owner, or to charge a fee for the return of such  
16 property to the rightful owner.

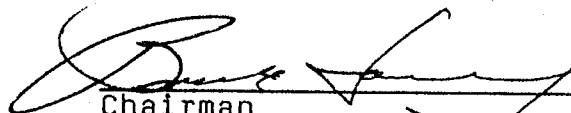
17           1. "Identified as stolen or sold without authorization"  
18 shall mean any property which has been reported by the rightful  
19 owner to legitimate authority as missing or stolen.

20           2. "The rightful owner", unless otherwise proven, shall  
21 be considered to be the person having possession of the property  
22 prior to the theft or removal without authorization.

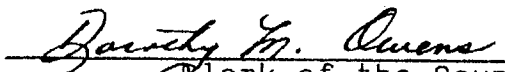
23           INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 23rd day  
24 of August, 1982.

25           PASSED this 2nd day of May, 1983.

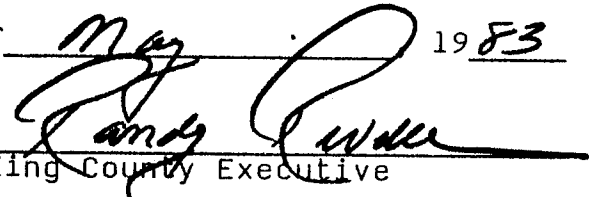
26           KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
27           KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

28             
29           Chairman

30           ATTEST:

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32           Clerk of the Council

33           APPROVED this 9th day of May, 1983

  
   King County Executive