

**GAINES TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE NUMBER 128**

An ordinance to prohibit the receipt or concealment of stolen goods; and to proscribe penalties for violations thereof.

THE GAINES TOWNSHIP BOARD HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Prohibited conduct.

- (a) No person shall buy, receive or aid in the concealment of any stolen, embezzled or converted money, goods, or property, knowing the same to have been stolen, embezzled or converted.
- (b) Any person being a dealer in or collector of any merchandise or personal property, or the agent, employee, or representative of a dealer or collector who fails to make reasonable inquiry that the person selling or delivering any stolen, embezzled, or converted property to him has a legal right to do so, or who buys or receives any such property which has a registration, serial or other identifying number altered or obliterated on any external surface thereof, shall be presumed to have bought or received such property knowing it to have been stolen, embezzled or converted. This presumption may, however, be rebutted by proof.
- (c) In any prosecution of the offense of buying, receiving or aiding in the concealment of stolen, embezzled or converted money, or other property, it shall not be necessary to aver, nor on the trial thereof to prove, that the person who stole, embezzled or converted such property has been convicted.

Section 2. Penalty.

A person violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment for not more than 93 days.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after publication.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Township of Gaines held on September 7, 2016, **Diane Hyrman** moved for adoption of the foregoing ordinance and **Lee Purdy** supported the motion.

Voting for: **Michael Dowler, Diane Hyrman, Lee Purdy, Chuck Timmons, Paul Fortino**

Voting against: **None**

The Supervisor declared the ordinance **adopted**.

Paul Fortino, Supervisor

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Michael Dowler

Michael Dowler, Township Clerk

Certification

Michael Dowler, Gaines Township Clerk, certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 128 which was enacted by the Board of Trustees of Gaines Township at a regular meeting held on September 7, 2016.

Michael Dowler

Michael Dowler, Township Clerk