

**609.526 PRECIOUS METAL AND SCRAP METAL DEALERS; RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings given:

- (1) "precious metal dealer" has the meaning given in section 325F.731, subdivision 2; and
- (2) "scrap metal dealer" has the meaning given in section 325E.21, subdivision 1.

Subd. 2. **Crime described.** Any precious metal dealer or scrap metal dealer or any person employed by a dealer, who receives, possesses, transfers, buys, or conceals any stolen property or property obtained by robbery, knowing or having reason to know the property was stolen or obtained by robbery, may be sentenced as follows:

- (1) if the value of the property received, bought, or concealed is \$1,000 or more, to imprisonment for not more than ten years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$50,000, or both;
- (2) if the value of the property received, bought, or concealed is less than \$1,000 but more than \$500, to imprisonment for not more than three years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$25,000, or both;
- (3) if the value of the property received, bought, or concealed is \$500 or less, to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or to payment of a fine of not more than \$1,000, or both.

Any person convicted of violating this section a second or subsequent time within a period of one year may be sentenced as provided in clause (1).

**History:** 1989 c 290 art 7 s 6; 2004 c 228 art 1 s 72; 2007 c 54 art 2 s 10