

Public Law 94-450  
94th Congress

An Act

To increase the protection of consumers by reducing permissible deviations in the manufacture of articles made in whole or in part of gold.

Oct. 1, 1976  
[S. 3095]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That this Act may be cited as the "Gold Labeling Act of 1976".

Gold Labeling  
Act of 1976.  
15 USC 294 note.  
Gold articles,  
standard of  
fineness,  
deviation.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1906 (34 Stat. 260; 15 U.S.C. 295), is amended—

(1) by striking out "one-half of one carat" and inserting in lieu thereof "three one-thousandth parts";

(2) by striking out "; except" and all that follows through "incased or inclosed" immediately before the first proviso;

(3) by striking out "in the case of any article mentioned in this section" in the second proviso;

(4) by striking out "in such article" in the second proviso and inserting in lieu thereof "in an article mentioned in this section"; and

(5) by striking out "than one carat" in the second proviso and inserting in lieu thereof "than three one-thousandth parts, in the case of a watchcase or flatware, or than seven one-thousandth parts, in the case of any other such article,".

SEC. 3. The amendments made by section 2 of this Act shall take effect five years after the date of enactment of this Act and shall not apply with respect to any article of merchandise which is sold by any manufacturer or importer before the effective date of such amendments.

15 USC 295 note.

Approved October 1, 1976.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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SENATE REPORT No. 94-812 (Comm. on Commerce).

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