

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1523

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5 By: Representative Walters
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO PERMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES TO REQUIRE
10 ELECTRONIC DATA TRANSFER OF PAWNSHOP RECORDS; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 AN ACT TO PERMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES TO
15 REQUIRE ELECTRONIC DATA TRANSFER OF
16 PAWNSHOP RECORDS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-12-103, concerning the recording
22 requirements of pawnshops and pawnbrokers doing business in the State of
23 Arkansas, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

24 (e)(1) Any city or county may require by ordinance that pawnshops and
25 pawnbrokers:

26 (A) Submit the records required by this section in a
27 designated electronic format; and

28 (B) Daily upload data to a centralized secure tracking
29 system to be chosen by the city or county.

30 (2) The electronic records submitted under this subsection (e)
31 shall be used for the sole purpose of investigating crimes involving
32 property.

33 (3) Pawnshops, pawnbrokers, and pawn customers shall not be
34 required to incur any costs or increased fees as a result of the city or
35 county collecting and processing records required by this section
36 electronically.



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SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Arkansas Constitution does not provide for electronic transfer of pawn records, that law enforcement agencies across the state require timely reporting of pawn records, and that this act is immediately necessary to aid pawnbrokers in providing critical information on a daily basis to law enforcement when it comes to property crimes and crimes against people. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.