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 2 An act relating to feasibility study relating to  
 3 statewide pawn data database; providing definitions;  
 4 requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to conduct  
 5 a feasibility study regarding creating a statewide  
 6 pawn data database; requiring the department to report  
 7 to the Legislature the results of the study; providing  
 8 for repeal; providing that the completion of the  
 9 feasibility study is subject to specific  
 10 appropriation; providing an effective date.

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 12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 14 Section 1. Statewide pawn data database feasibility  
 15 study.—

16 (1) As used in this section, the term:

17 (a) "Department" means the Department of Law Enforcement.

18 (b) "Pawn data" means information related to the  
 19 transactions of secondhand dealers and secondary metals  
 20 recyclers, including pawn shops, that is required by chapter 538  
 21 and chapter 539, Florida Statutes, to be reported electronically  
 22 to law enforcement officials. This includes, but is not limited  
 23 to, descriptions of property, seller information, transaction  
 24 dates, and any other data related to the exchange of goods.

25 (2) The department shall conduct a feasibility study

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26 regarding the creation of a statewide pawn data database which,  
 27 at a minimum, must:

28 (a) Allow law enforcement agencies in all counties in the  
 29 state to access, update, and share pawn data in real-time.

30 (b) Be provided free of charge to all law enforcement  
 31 agencies in the state.

32 (c) Be interoperable between different law enforcement  
 33 databases, software solutions, and jurisdictions and meet  
 34 established data standards to facilitate seamless communication  
 35 between law enforcement agencies.

36 (d) Ensure compliance with applicable privacy and security  
 37 laws.

38 (3) By January 1, 2026, the department must report to the  
 39 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
 40 Representatives the results of the feasibility study.

41 (4) This section is repealed upon submission of the study  
 42 under subsection (3).

43 Section 2. As authorized by and consistent with funding  
 44 specifically appropriated in the General Appropriations Act, the  
 45 Department of Law Enforcement shall complete the feasibility  
 46 study required by this act.

47 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.