
DIGEST

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Broadwater

HB No. 636

Abstract: Requires pawn brokers, secondhand dealers, and scrap metal recyclers to provide both transactional and personally identifiable information about sellers of goods.

Present law requires every pawnbroker to maintain a permanent record of all transactions of things pledged on the pawnshop premises and to provide all transactional information to the chief of police of the city or town in which he is doing business or to the sheriff of the parish in which he is doing business, on a daily basis by the end of the next business day or on such less frequent basis as is required by the chief of police or sheriff. Present law further provides that the means for providing the transactional information shall be selected by the chief of police or sheriff and shall be one of the following:

- (1) By electronic transmission if the pawnbroker has the means available to make transmissions in electronic form via a system which makes solely transactional information available for transmission and for examination by the chief of police of the city or town in which he is doing business, or by the sheriff of the parish in which he is doing business.
- (2) By placing in the U. S. mail.
- (3) By sending a facsimile.

Proposed law retains present law but adds the requirement that the pawnbroker also include the personally identifiable information.

Present law requires every secondhand dealer to maintain records of all purchases of used or secondhand goods or junk and to make out and deliver to the chief of police of the city or town or to the sheriff of the parish in which he is doing business, every day before the hour of twelve noon, a legible and correct copy of the records of purchases from the previous day. Present law further provides that the means for providing the transactional information shall be by electronic transmission.

Proposed law retains present law but adds the requirement that the secondhand dealer also include the personally identifiable information.

Present law requires every scrap metal recycler to keep a register and file reports or electronically maintain data and be capable of readily providing reports of all purchases of scrap metal and to

produce and deliver to the chief of police of the city or town or to the sheriff of the parish in which he is doing business, every day before the hour of twelve noon, a legible and correct copy of the records of purchases of scrap metal from the previous day. Present law further provides that the means for providing the transactional information shall be by electronic transmission.

Proposed law retains present law but adds the requirement that the scrap metal recycler also include the personally identifiable information.

(Amends R.S. 37:1798(A)(1)(intro. para.) and (a), (2), and (3), 1866(A), and 1972(A))