

## Committee on Commerce and Tourism

### **CS/CS/HB 1359 — Feasibility Study Relating to Statewide Pawn Data Database**

by Information Technology Budget & Policy Subcommittee; Criminal Justice Subcommittee; and Rep. Michael (CS/CS/SB 1252 by Fiscal Policy Committee; Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Senator Yarborough)

The bill requires the Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to conduct a feasibility study on the creation of a statewide pawn data database. The creation of a statewide pawn data database, at a minimum, must:

- Allow law enforcement agencies in all counties in this state to access, update, and share pawn data in real time;
- Be provided free of charge to all law enforcement agencies in this state;
- Be interoperable with different law enforcement databases, software solutions, and jurisdictions and meet established data standards to facilitate seamless communication between law enforcement agencies; and
- Ensure compliance with applicable privacy and security laws.

The FDLE must complete the study as authorized and consistent with funding specifically appropriated in the General Appropriations Act and report the feasibility study results to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2026.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2025.

*Vote: Senate 37-0; House 113-0*