GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1282

Short Title:	CCPS Study Automated Pawn System.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Underhill; Braxton, Cole, Goodwin, Harrison, Hughes, Lucas, McLawhorn, Wainwright, and Whilden.	
Referred to:	Science and Technology, if favorable, Appropriations.	

April 9, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIME CONTROL AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING AN AUTOMATED PAWN TRANSACTION DATABASE SYSTEM AS PART OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Department of Crime Control and Public Safety shall study the feasibility of developing and maintaining an automated system that would receive pawn transaction data electronically from pawn shops and provide access to law enforcement agencies for retrieving information about pawn shop transactions statewide as part of the Criminal Justice Information Network. The study shall consider issues related to the State's role in regulating pawn shops in order to identify and minimize illegal activities, recover stolen property, verify compliance with applicable laws, and ensure a legitimate environment for consumers by decreasing the cost of regulation, improving law enforcement services and effectiveness, enabling information sharing among law enforcement and regulatory authorities, and impacting related crimes. The Board shall report its findings and recommendations, including any legislative proposals, to the Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee on or before March 31, 2010.

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.