

House Bill No. 1031

An act relating to pawnbroking; amending s. 539.001, F.S.; providing that local ordinances shall not require the payment of any fee or tax related to a pawn transaction or purchase unless authorized under the Florida Pawnbroking Act; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (20) of section 539.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

539.001 The Florida Pawnbroking Act.—

(20) CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.—Any county or municipality may enact ordinances that are in compliance with, but not more restrictive than this section, except that local ordinances shall may not require the payment of any fee or tax related to a pawn transaction or purchase unless authorized under this chapter or restrict hours of operations other than between midnight and 6 a.m. Any ordinance that conflicts with this subsection is void. ~~Nothing in~~ This section does not shall affect the authority of a county or municipality to establish land use controls or require a pawnbroker to obtain a local occupational license.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

Approved by the Governor June 9, 2006.

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