

HOUSE BILL NO. 208

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PAWNBROKER REGISTER REQUIREMENTS;  
5 ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE REGISTER INCLUDE A RECORD OF THE SALE OF PAWNED  
6 ARTICLES; RESERVING TO PEACE OFFICERS THE RIGHT TO INSPECT THE REGISTER; AND AMENDING  
7 SECTION 31-1-402, MCA."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 **Section 1.** Section 31-1-402, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"31-1-402. Pawnbroker to keep register.** (1) Every pawnbroker or junk dealer shall keep a register,  
13 in which must be entered a description of every article pawned to or purchased by the pawnbroker or junk dealer,  
14 with:

- 15 (a) the date of the pawning or purchasing;
- 16 (b) the date when the article must be redeemed;
- 17 (c) the name of the person ~~by whom the article was pawned or by whom purchased~~ who pawned or sold  
18 the article; and
- 19 (d) the amount loaned on or paid for the article.

20 ~~(2) In case of the sale of any article pawned or pledged, the pawnbroker or junk dealer shall enter~~  
21 ~~upon the register:~~

- 22 ~~—— (a) the name of the purchaser;~~
- 23 ~~—— (b) the time of the sale; and~~
- 24 ~~—— (c) the price paid for the article.~~

25 ~~(3)~~(2) The register must always be open to inspection and examination of any MONTANA peace officer  
26 or other persons."

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