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ORDINANCE NO. 0-99-55

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ELECTRONIC RECORD KEEPING BY PAWNSHOPS DOING BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF CONWAY; REPEALING ANY ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated 12-12-103 requires each and every pawnshop and pawnbroker doing business in the State of Arkansas to keep a record showing in detail all property pawned with them; and

WHEREAS, such records are, pursuant to A.C.A.. 12-12-103, required to be made available to police agencies of the municipality in which the pawnshop or pawnbroker is located at any and all reasonable times; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain an accurate and efficient system for inputting such records and information for law enforcement purposes, there is a substantial need for local law enforcement officials to access such records electronically;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS,

Section 1. That each and every pawnshop and pawnbroker doing business in the City of Conway shall, within one (1) year of adoption of this ordinance, maintain an electronic inventory tracking system which is capable of delivery and transmission of all statutorily required information via computer to the Conway Police Department.

Section 2. The City of Conway, through the Conway Police Department, shall provide free, commercial grade software, together with periodic updates of such software, to affected pawnshops and pawnbrokers in order to facilitate compliance with this ordinance.

Section 3. The failure on the part of any pawnbroker, owner or operator of a pawnshop to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed a misdemeanor. Upon conviction the offender shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars for each separate offense. Each day of noncompliance with this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 4: That any ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict.

Section 5: That this ordinance is necessary for the protection of the peace, health and safety of the citizens of Conway, and therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall go into effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this \$?A day of June ---, 1999.

APPROVED:

Tab Townsell  
MAYOR TAB TOWNSELL

ATTEST:

Mike Garrett  
MIKE GARRETT, CITY CLERK