# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

## **2017 REGULAR SESSION**

### Introduced

## House Bill 2959

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[Introduced March 13, 2017; Referred

to the Committee on the Judiciary.]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Vifrginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
- 2 designated §47-26-2a, relating to requiring all pawnbrokers to upload pictures to their
- 3 website of all pawned items before these items may be sold.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

- 1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
- 2 section, designated §47-26-2a, to read as follows:

### **ARTICLE 26. PAWNBROKERS.**

#### §47-26-2a. Pictures of pawned items must be posted on the Internet.

- 1 Pictures of all items pawned shall be posted on an Internet site maintained by the
- 2 pawnbroker for a period of one month before the items may be offered for sale.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require pawnbrokers to post pictures of all items pawned to an Internet site they maintain for a period of one month before they may sell the items. This should help deter the pawning of stolen items.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.