Some Discusses About the Law of *Finding Lost Objects* in Traditional China

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Abstract

This article discusses the development about the law of *Finding Lost Objects* in traditional China. Why people can get reward when found lost objects? When this law be made? How government and people think about this law? As this article says, this law origins from Pre-Qin period, and had a big change in Ming period, not only defined the reward by law, but also transfers from property law to monetary obligation. This change reflects the view of monetary obligation and the lost objects of the Ming government.

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