

Senate Bill 331

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SUMMARY

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Creates crime of organized retail theft. Punishes by maximum of 10 years' imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, or both.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to organized retail theft.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 164.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) A person commits the crime of organized retail theft if, acting in concert**
6 **with another person:**

7 (a) **The person violates ORS 164.015 or aids or abets the other person to violate ORS**
8 **164.015;**

9 (b) **The subject of the theft is merchandise and the merchandise is taken from a**
10 **mercantile establishment; and**

11 (c)(A) **The aggregate value of the merchandise taken within any 180-day period exceeds**
12 **\$1,000; or**

13 **(B) The person has the intent to resell the merchandise.**

14 **(2) As used in this section:**

15 (a) **"Merchandise" has the meaning given that term in ORS 30.870.**

16 (b) **"Mercantile establishment" has the meaning given that term in ORS 30.870.**

17 (3) **Organized retail theft is a Class B felony.**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.