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2 An act relating to retail theft

3 The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after
4 the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 2575 is amended to read:

6 § 2575. OFFENSE OF RETAIL THEFT

7 A person commits the offense of retail theft when the person, with intent of
8 depriving a merchant wrongfully of the lawful possession of merchandise,
9 money, or credit:

10 (1) takes and carries away or causes to be taken and carried away or aids
11 and abets the carrying away of, any merchandise from a retail mercantile
12 establishment without paying the retail value of the merchandise; or

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14 Sec. 2. 13 V.S.A. § 2577 is amended to read:

15 § 2577. PENALTY

16 (a) A person convicted of the offense of retail theft of merchandise having
17 a retail value not in excess of \$900.00 shall:

18 (1) for a first offense, be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or
19 imprisonment for not more than ~~six months~~ 30 days, or both;

20 (2) for a second offense, be punished by a fine of not more than
21 \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both;

