

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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SAINATO AND BOSCOLA, APRIL 17, 1997

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 29, 1997

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for retail theft.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Section 3929(a) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

7 § 3929. Retail theft.

8 (a) Offense defined.--A person is guilty of a retail theft
9 if he:

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11 (5) destroys, removes, renders inoperative or
12 deactivates any inventory control tag, security strip or any
13 other mechanism designed or employed to prevent an offense
14 under this section WITH THE INTENTION OF DEPRIVING THE
15 MERCHANT OF THE POSSESSION, USE OR BENEFIT OF SUCH

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1 MERCHANDISE WITHOUT PAYING THE FULL RETAIL VALUE THEREOF.

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3 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.