

An Initiative Petition for a Law Relative to Larceny, including Shoplifting

Be it enacted by the People, and by their authority:

SECTION 1: Section 30 of Chapter 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by replacing every instance of the figure “\$1,200” in paragraph (1) with the figure “\$250”.

SECTION 2: Section 30 of Chapter 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the following text at the end of paragraph (1):

For purpose of this section, multiple violations of this section or section 30A of this chapter occurring within a one hundred eighty day period may be aggregated into a single count with the aggregated value of the property stolen used to determine whether the violation is a misdemeanor or felony as provided herein; provided, that a series of thefts from 1 or more mercantile establishments may be aggregated; provided further, that said violation may be prosecuted in any county where a theft from a mercantile establishment occurred.

SECTION 3: The provisions of this law are severable, and if any clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this law or an application thereof shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section or application adjudged invalid and such clause, sentence, paragraph, section or application shall be reformed and construed so that it would be valid to the maximum extent permitted.

The following registered voters subscribe to the above initiative petition:

Signature _____ Address _____

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