HB 2563 -- ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT

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This bill states that a person commits the offense of organized retail theft if they commit a series of theft of retail merchandise against a merchant with the intent to return the merchandise to the merchant for value or resell the merchandise for value.

The offense of organized retail theft is a class C felony if the aggregated value of all the thefts committed during a 120 day period is \$1,500 and no more than \$10,000 and a class B felony if the aggregated value is \$10,000 or more. The factors for determining the aggregated value is specified in the bill.

The bill also requires the court to order anyone that violates this provision to pay restitution.