## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

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Prior law provided relative to the crime of organized retail theft.

<u>Prior law</u> defined a "retail establishment" as any business, whether a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or otherwise, that holds or stores articles, products, commodities, items, or components for sale to the public or to other retail establishments.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>prior law</u>.

<u>Prior law</u> defined "stolen retail property" as either (1) retail property that has been the subject of a theft from a retail establishment or (2) retail property that the offender procuring, receiving, or concealing that property knows or reasonably believes to be the subject of a theft.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>prior law</u> and adds that "stolen retail property" also includes merchandise credit, including but not limited to a gift card, that is the product of a theft from a retail establishment, e.g. when an offender returns stolen retail property to a retail establishment without a receipt and receives a merchandise credit or gift card.

Effective June 2, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 14:67.25(A)(1) and (4))