

HOUSE BILL NO. 825

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHWADRON.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 570, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the offense of mail theft, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 570, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 570.212, to read as follows:

570.212. 1. As used in this section, "mail" means a letter, postal card, package, bag, or other sealed article that:

(1) Is delivered by a common carrier or delivery service and not yet received by the addressee; or

(2) Has been left to be collected for delivery by a common carrier or delivery service.

2. A person commits the offense of mail theft if the person intentionally appropriates mail from another person's mailbox or premises without consent of the addressee and with intent to deprive such addressee of the mail.

3. The offense of mail theft is a class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a class E felony for any second or subsequent offense.

4. This section shall not prohibit a person from being charged with, convicted of, or sentenced for any other violation of law committed by that person using mail obtained in violation of this section or any other violation of law committed by that person while violating or attempting to violate this section.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.