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Present law provides relative to the crime of organized retail theft.

Present law defines 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.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law defines "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.

Proposed law retains present law 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 upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

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