

SENATE No. 2176

Senate, March 10, 2016-- Text of the Senate Bill relative to larceny (Senate, No. 2176) (being the text of Senate, No. 2156, printed as amended)

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act relative to larceny.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 30 of chapter 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 9 and lines 13 and 14, the words “two hundred and fifty dollars” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:- \$1,500.

1 SECTION 2. Said section 30 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
2 amended by inserting after the word “dollars”, in line 15, the following words:- ; or, if the value
3 of the property stolen exceeds \$250 but is less than \$500, shall be punished by imprisonment in a
4 jail or house of correction for not more than 1 year or by a fine of not more than \$500; or, if the
5 value of the property stolen exceeds \$500 but is less than \$1,000, shall be punished by
6 imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for not more than 1 year or by a fine of not more
7 than \$1,000; or, if the value of the property stolen exceeds \$1,000 but is less than \$1,500, shall
8 be punished by imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for not more than 1 year or by a fine
9 of not more than \$2,500.

10 SECTION 3. Said section 30 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
11 amended by striking out, in lines 15 to 23, inclusive, the words “; or, if the property was stolen
12 from the conveyance of a common carrier or of a person carrying on an express business, shall
13 be punished for the first offence by imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than two
14 and one half years, or by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than six hundred dollars, or both,
15 and for a subsequent offence, by imprisonment for not less than eighteen months nor more than
16 two and one half years, or by a fine of not less than one hundred and fifty nor more than six
17 hundred dollars, or both”.

18 SECTION 4. Said section 30 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
19 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

20 (6) Law enforcement officers may arrest without warrant any person an officer has
21 probable cause to believe has committed the offense of larceny, as defined in this section, where
22 the value of the property stolen exceeds \$250.

23 SECTION 5. Section 30A of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
24 striking out, in lines 35 and 42, and in lines 46 and 47, the words “one hundred dollars” and
25 inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:- \$250.

26 SECTION 6. Section 37A of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
27 inserting after the word “name”, in line 7, the following words:- , or the code or number used to
28 identify that instrument or device or an account of credit or cash accessed by that instrument or
29 device.

30 SECTION 7. Said section 37A of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
31 amended by inserting after the word “credit”, in line 9, the following words:- or by debit from a
32 cash account.

33 SECTION 8. Section 37B of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
34 striking out, in lines 24 and 25, 29 and 30, 37 and 38, and in lines 45 and 46, the words “two
35 hundred and fifty dollars” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:-
36 \$1,500.

37 SECTION 9. Said section 37B of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
38 amended by striking out, in lines 49 and 50, the words “five hundred dollars” and inserting in
39 place thereof the following figure:- \$3,000.

40 SECTION 10. Section 37C of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
41 striking out, in lines 12, 17 and 23, and in lines 31 and 32, the words “two hundred and fifty
42 dollars” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:- \$1,500.

43 SECTION 11. Said section 37C of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
44 amended by striking out, in lines 39 and 40, the words “two thousand dollars” and inserting in
45 place thereof the following figure:- \$5,000.

46 SECTION 12. Section 60 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
47 striking out, in line 13, the figure “\$250” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-
48 \$1,500.

49 SECTION 13. Said section 60 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
50 amended by striking out, in line 15, the figure “\$1,000” and inserting in place thereof the
51 following figure:- \$2,500.

52 SECTION 14. Said section 60 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby further
53 amended by striking out, in lines 16 and 20, the figure “\$250” and inserting in place thereof, in
54 each instance, the following figure:- \$1,500.

55 SECTION 15. Section 127 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
56 striking out, in line 13, the words “two hundred and fifty dollars” and inserting in place thereof
57 the following figure:- \$1,500.