

# HOUSE BILL NO. 675

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE COLEMAN (97).

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

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

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*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  
2 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,  
2 or other sealed article that:**

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

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

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

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

12 **4. This section shall not prohibit a person from being charged with, convicted of,**  
13 **or sentenced for any other violation of law committed by that person using mail obtained**  
14 **in violation of this section or any other violation of law committed by that person while**  
15 **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.