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IN THE SENATE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

SENATE BILL NO. 294

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the concealment of merchandise in mercantile establishments; and providing for an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

Section 1. Whoever, without authority, wilfully conceals the goods or merchandise of any retail business establishment, not theretofore purchased by the person, while still upon the premises of the retail business establishment, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both. Goods or merchandise found concealed upon or about the person and which have not theretofore been purchased by the person shall be prima facie evidence of a wilful concealment.

Sec. 2. Any person found guilty of a second or subsequent offense of wilful concealment of goods as defined in Section 1 of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.