



## 2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 874

February 25, 2008 - Introduced by Representatives ALBERS and KLEEFISCH.  
Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 943.34 (1) (intro.) and 943.50 (4) (c); and *to create* 943.345 of  
2           the statutes; **relating to:** the sale of stolen property on the Internet and  
3           providing a penalty.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, a person who commits retail theft or who intentionally receives or conceals stolen property is penalized based on the value of the property or merchandise that was stolen. A person who commits retail theft or receives or conceals the stolen property or merchandise is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if the value of the property or merchandise does not exceed \$2,500, a Class I felony if the value of the property or merchandise exceeds \$2,500 but does not exceed \$5,000, a Class H felony if the value of the property or merchandise exceeds \$5,000 but does not exceed \$10,000, and a Class G felony if the value of the property or merchandise exceeds \$10,000.

Under this bill, a person who commits retail theft with the intent to sell the stolen property on the Internet is guilty of a Class G felony, regardless of the value of the property. Under the bill, a person who purchases property he or she knows or believes to be stolen over the Internet is guilty of a Class G felony, regardless of the value of the property.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a

