

Combating Organized Retail Crime Act of 2025

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SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

§ 2 – Findings

- Congress acknowledges the escalating threat of organized theft groups to retailers, supply chains and the national economy, citing data from the National Retail Federation and CargoNet. It emphasizes the need for federal intervention to address interstate and transnational crime.

§ 3 – Amendments to Title 18

- Allows criminal forfeiture for convictions under sections 659 (interstate shipments), 2314 (transportation of stolen goods) and 2315 (sale or receipt of stolen goods).
- Expands money laundering statutes to include gift cards as “monetary instruments” and adds ORSCC-related crimes as predicates.
- Enables prosecution of organized retail and supply chain crime groups using interstate or foreign commerce (e.g., the internet) to facilitate crimes.
- Permits aggregation of theft values totaling \$5,000 or more over 12 months as a basis for charging under sections 2314 and 2315.

§ 4 – Establishment of a Center to Combat Organized Retail and Supply Chain Crime

- Mandates the creation of the Organized Retail and Supply Chain Crime Coordination Center within Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) at the Department of Homeland Security to:
 - Coordinate federal, state and local law enforcement efforts against ORSCC.
 - Partner with private industry to share threat information and collaborate on investigations.
 - Track trends and issue annual public reports.
 - Review and optimize grant programs and training to enhance enforcement.
 - Issue a report to Congress on its progress and will sunset after seven years unless extended.

SUPPORTERS

- National Retail Federation
- United Parcel Service (UPS)
- Association of American Railroads (AAR)
- Retail Industry Leaders Association
- Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC)
- International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC)
- Intermodal Association of North America (IANA)
- National District Attorneys Association (NDAA)

