

**SB108 INTRODUCED**



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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would establish the crime of mail theft, which is committed when a person takes mail addressed to another person from the addressee's mailbox or other premises without the effective consent of the addressee and with the intent to deprive the addressee of the mail.

This bill would establish criminal penalties for a violation based on the amount of mail stolen.

This bill would establish heightened criminal penalties if the defendant committed the mail theft with the intent to obtain personally identifying information to defraud the victim.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to crimes and offenses; to establish the crime of mail theft; and to provide criminal penalties for violations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:



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29 (1) MAIL. A letter, postcard, package, bag, or other  
30 sealed article to which either of the following apply:

31 a. Is delivered by the United States Postal Service, a  
32 common carrier, or a delivery service and has not yet been  
33 received by the person to whom it is addressed.

34 b. Has been left in a location for delivery by the  
35 United States Postal Service, a common carrier, or a delivery  
36 service.

37 (2) SENSITIVE PERSONALLY IDENTIFYING INFORMATION. The  
38 term as defined under Section 8-38-2, Code of Alabama 1975.

39 (b) A person commits the crime of mail theft if both of  
40 the following occur:

41 (1) The person takes mail addressed to another person  
42 from the addressee's mailbox or other premises.

43 (2) The person acts without the effective consent of  
44 the addressee and with the intent to deprive the addressee of  
45 the mail.

46 (c) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,  
47 mail theft is a Class A misdemeanor.

48 (2) Mail theft is a Class D felony if mail is  
49 unlawfully taken from 10-29 addresses.

50 (3) Mail theft is a Class C felony if mail is  
51 unlawfully taken from 30 or more addresses.

52 (d) If it is established that a person committed mail  
53 theft under subsection (b) with the intent to obtain the  
54 sensitive personally identifying information to defraud the  
55 addressee, the person shall be punished as follows:

56 (1) If mail is unlawfully taken from less than 10



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57 addresses, the person shall be guilty of a Class C felony.

58 (2) If mail is unlawfully taken from more than 10 or  
59 more addresses, the person shall be guilty of a Class B  
60 felony.

61 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
62 1, 2025.