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Senate BILL NO. 180
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 94-6-314, R.C.M. 1947, EFFECT OF CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY, TO INCLUDE THE CONCEALMENT OF MERCHANDISE; REPEALING SECTION 95-611.2, R.C.M. 1947."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 94-6-314, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to read as follows:

"94-6-314. Effect of ~~criminal~~ possession of stolen property ~~or concealment of merchandise~~. Possession of stolen property ~~or concealment of merchandise~~ shall not constitute proof of the commission of the offense of theft; such fact shall place a burden on the possessor to remove the effect of such fact as a circumstance to be considered with all other evidence pointing to his guilt."

Section 2. Repealer. Section 95-611.2, R.C.M. 1947, is repealed.

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