

**Subject** Establishing an organized retail and supply chain crime advisory board

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## Overview

In 2023, the legislature created the crime of organized retail theft (section 609.522). That crime targeted situations in which people participated in a pattern of retail theft that typically involves a group of people who work together to remove items from a retailer and resell them.

This bill establishes an advisory board to provide advice and guidance to the commissioner of public safety. The board consists of representatives from law enforcement, the business community, prosecutors, and citizens. The bill also establishes a statewide coordinator to address these crimes and appropriates money.

## Summary

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| 1 | <p><b>Organized retail and supply chain crimes advisory board.</b></p> <p>Establishes the Organized Retail and Supply Chain Crimes Advisory Board to provide advice and guidance to the commissioner of public safety. Establishes the membership of the advisory board, including the commissioner, the U.S. Attorney, law enforcement representatives, prosecutors, business representatives, and citizens. Establishes the duties of the board, including consulting with law enforcement and businesses as well as advising the commissioner. Directs the commissioner to appoint a statewide coordinator. Authorizes participating peace officers to exercise jurisdiction throughout the state. Provides that the advisory board is permanent. Requires an annual report.</p> |
| 2 | <p><b>Organized retail and supply chain crimes advisory board; appropriation.</b></p> <p>Appropriates an unspecified amount of money from the general fund to establish, operate, and support the Organized Retail and Supply Chain Crimes Advisory Board.</p>  |



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