SENATE BILL 5323

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the penalties for theft and possession of
- 2 stolen property from first responders; amending RCW 9A.56.150 and
- 3 9A.56.030; and prescribing penalties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.56.150 and 2009 c 431 s 12 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
 - (1) A person is guilty of possessing stolen property in the first degree if he or she possesses stolen property, other than a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 or a motor vehicle, which ((exceeds)):
- 10 <u>(a) Exceeds</u> five thousand dollars in value;
- 11 (b) Was property or equipment used by firefighters or emergency
- 12 medical service providers in the course of duties and taken from a
- 13 fire station or emergency medical services building, facility,
- 14 structure, or vehicle.

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- 15 (2) Possessing stolen property in the first degree is a class B 16 felony.
- 17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 9A.56.030 and 2017 c 266 s 10 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
- 19 (1) Except as provided in RCW 9A.56.400, a person is guilty of 20 theft in the first degree if he or she commits theft of:

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- 1 (a) Property or services which exceed(s) five thousand dollars in value other than a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010;
- 3 (b) Property of any value, other than a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 or a motor vehicle, taken from the person of another;
 - (c) A search and rescue dog, as defined in RCW 9.91.175, while the search and rescue dog is on duty; $((\Theta r))$
 - (d) Commercial metal property, nonferrous metal property, or private metal property, ((as those terms are defined in RCW $19.290.010_r$)) and the costs of the damage to the owner's property exceed five thousand dollars in value; or
- 11 (e) Property or equipment used by firefighters or emergency
 12 medical service providers in the course of duties and taken from a
 13 fire station or emergency medical services building, facility,
 14 structure, or vehicle.
 - (2) Theft in the first degree is a class B felony.

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