



COMBATING ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME ACT OF 2025 (CORCA)

- Organized theft networks are disrupting the nation's supply chain.
 - These crimes often involve coordinated, repeat offenders operating across jurisdictions.
 - A federal response is essential to dismantling these networks and protecting the flow of goods.
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Organized retail and cargo theft has escalated nationwide, targeting retailers, freight carriers, and railroads. Criminal groups operate across multiple jurisdictions, use sophisticated tactics, and exploit online marketplaces to resell stolen goods. Their activities slow shipments, damage equipment, raise costs, and threaten workers.

Freight railroads face growing theft of trains, containers, and rail facilities—often by individuals who move across city and state lines to avoid enforcement. These incidents cause major operational delays and economic losses. Because the crime is regional and sometimes international, railroads cannot address it alone.

A MOUNTING THREAT TO U.S. CONSUMERS AND ECONOMY

Organized theft harms the economy in several critical ways:

- **Higher costs for consumers** as stolen goods, repairs, and security spending drive prices up.
- **Increased safety risks** for workers and local communities.
- **Slower, less reliable supply chains** when theft disrupts freight operations.
- **Rising insurance and security costs** for retailers, carriers, and logistics providers.
- **Lost tax revenue** due to stolen goods flowing into illicit markets.

CORCA STRENGTHENS LAW ENFORCEMENT TOOLS AGAINST ORGANIZED THEFT

The Combating Organized Retail Crime Act of 2025 (S.1404 / H.R.2853), sponsored by Senate Judiciary Chairman Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) and Rep. David Joyce (R-Ohio), provides a bipartisan legislative solution needed to counter this growing threat. CORCA would:

1. Strengthen Enforcement Tools

- Update federal statutes to better target organized theft networks.
- Expand forfeiture and money-laundering authorities.
- Allow prosecutors to combine repeated thefts into stronger cases.

2. Create a National Coordination Center

- Establish a dedicated hub within Homeland Security Investigations.
- Improve information-sharing across federal, state, local, and private-sector partners.
- Track national trends and support multiagency investigations.

3. Support State and Local Agencies

- Enhance grants, training, and technical assistance for frontline enforcement.