ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 924

Introduced by Assembly Member Bigelow

February 22, 2013

An act to amend Section 487 of the Penal Code, relating to grand theft.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 924, as introduced, Bigelow. Grand theft.

Under existing law, grand theft is generally theft committed when the money, labor, or real or personal property taken is of a value exceeding \$950, or when certain kinds of property are taken, including an automobile, a firearm, or certain specified domesticated animals.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 487 of the Penal Code is amended to 2 read:

3 487. Grand theft is theft committed in any of the following 4 cases:

5 (a) When the money, labor, or real or personal property taken 6 is of a value exceeding nine hundred fifty dollars (\$950), except

7 as provided in subdivision (b).

8 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), grand theft is committed 9 in any of the following cases:

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1 (1) (A) When domestic fowls, avocados, olives, citrus or 2 deciduous fruits, other fruits, vegetables, nuts, artichokes, or other

3 farm crops are taken of a value exceeding two hundred fifty dollars4 (\$250).

5 (B) For the purposes of establishing that the value of domestic fowls, avocados, olives, citrus or deciduous fruits, other fruits, 6 7 vegetables, nuts, artichokes, or other farm crops under this 8 paragraph exceeds two hundred fifty dollars (\$250), that value 9 may be shown by the presentation of credible evidence which establishes that on the day of the theft domestic fowls, avocados, 10 olives, citrus or deciduous fruits, other fruits, vegetables, nuts, 11 artichokes, or other farm crops of the same variety and weight 12 13 exceeded two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) in wholesale value.

(2) When fish, shellfish, mollusks, crustaceans, kelp, algae, or
other aquacultural products are taken from a commercial or
research operation which is producing that product, of a value
exceeding two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

(3) Where the money, labor, or real or personal property is taken
by a servant, agent, or employee from his or her principal or
employer and aggregates nine hundred fifty dollars (\$950) or more
in any 12 consecutive month period.

22 (c) When the property is taken from the person of another.

23 (d) When the property taken is any of the following:

24 (1) An automobile, *A* horse, mare, gelding, any bovine animal, 25 any caprine animal, mule, jack, jenny, sheep, lamb, hog, sow, boar,

any caprine animal, mule, jack, jenny, sheep, lamb, hog, sow, boar,
gilt, barrow, or pig.

27 (2) An automobile.

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29 (*3*) A firearm.

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