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## Statement on Governor Newsom's Legislative Proposals on Retail Theft

**SACRAMENTO** —Today, the California Police Chiefs Association released the following statement regarding the Governor's proposed law changes to address retail theft and other associated crimes:

"It is encouraging to see the Governor take a positive step towards addressing the widespread and impactful theft issues plaguing our communities by calling for the creation of new laws to target certain offenders," states Alexander Gammelgard, President of the California Police Chiefs Association. "Although we believe these proposed changes will make an impact on certain theft offenses, we also feel it is critical to strengthen laws to target repeat theft offenders."