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## COMMITTEE REPORT

<b>YES:</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>NO:</b>	<b>0</b>

**MR. SPEAKER:**

*Your Committee on Courts and Criminal Code, to which was referred Senate Bill 271, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1           Page 1, line 8, after "wireline" insert "**or wireless**".
- 2           Page 1, delete lines 9 through 11, begin a new line double block
- 3           indented and insert:
- 4                   **"(A) fiber; and**
- 5                   **(B) cable consisting of six (6) or more twisted pairs of wire,**
- 6                   **with or without sheathing;"**.
- 7           Page 2, delete lines 26 through 42, begin a new paragraph and
- 8           insert:
- 9                   "SECTION 2. IC 25-37.5-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.224-2013,
- 10           SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 11           JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 4. **(a)** Except as provided in section 5 of this
- 12           chapter, every valuable metal dealer shall hold each purchase of

- 1 valuable metal:
- 2 (1) requiring notification, for at least five (5) working days from
- 3 the date of notification; or
- 4 (2) that is telecommunications network equipment, for at least
- 5 thirty (30) calendar days from the date of purchase.
- 6 (b) A purchase described in subsection (a) shall be held:
- 7 (1) at the regular place of business of the valuable metal dealer;
- 8 and
- 9 (2) separate and apart, so that it is readily identifiable from all
- 10 other purchases.
- 11 (c) During ~~this~~ the period described in subsection (b), a valuable
- 12 metal dealer may not change the form of the valuable metal, and shall
- 13 permit any law enforcement officer to make inspection of the valuable
- 14 metal purchased.

15 SECTION 3. IC 25-37.5-1-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.70-2021,  
 16 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 17 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 7. ~~(a)~~ A valuable metal dealer who fails to comply  
 18 with this chapter commits a Class A infraction. **In addition, the**  
 19 **valuable metal dealer may be subject to a criminal penalty under**  
 20 **IC 35-43-4-3.3.**

- 21 ~~(b) A valuable metal dealer who:~~
- 22 ~~(1) knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with this chapter;~~
- 23 ~~and~~
- 24 ~~(2) purchases stolen valuable metal;~~
- 25 ~~commits concealing a valuable metal purchase; a Level 6 felony:".~~

26 Delete pages 3 through 7.  
 27 Page 8, delete lines 1 through 26.  
 28 Page 9, after line 18, begin a new paragraph and insert:

29 "SECTION 4. IC 35-31.5-2-264.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 30 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 31 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 264.3. "Purchase", for purposes**  
 32 **of IC 35-43-4-3.3, has the meaning set forth in IC 25-37.5-1-1.**

33 SECTION 5. IC 35-31.5-2-326.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 34 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 35 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 326.5. "Telecommunications**  
 36 **network equipment", for purposes of IC 35-43-4-3.3, has the**  
 37 **meaning set forth in IC 25-37.5-1-0.7.**

38 SECTION 6. IC 35-31.5-2-345.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA

1 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 345.5. "Valuable metal", for**  
 3 **purposes of IC 35-43-4-3.3, has the meaning set forth in**  
 4 **IC 25-37.5-1-1.**

5 SECTION 7. IC 35-31.5-2-345.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 6 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 7 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 345.6. "Valuable metal dealer",**  
 8 **for purposes of IC 35-43-4-3.3, has the meaning set forth in**  
 9 **IC 25-37.5-1-1.**

10 SECTION 8. IC 35-43-4-3.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
 11 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 12 1, 2026]: **Sec. 3.3. (a) The following definitions apply throughout**  
 13 **this section:**

- 14 (1) "Purchase" has the meaning set forth in IC 25-37.5-1-1.  
 15 (2) "Telecommunications network equipment" has the  
 16 meaning set forth in IC 25-37.5-1-0.7.  
 17 (3) "Valuable metal" has the meaning set forth in  
 18 IC 25-37.5-1-1.  
 19 (4) "Valuable metal dealer" has the meaning set forth in  
 20 IC 25-37.5-1-1.

21 (b) A valuable metal dealer who:  
 22 (1) knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with  
 23 IC 25-37.5-1; and  
 24 (2) purchases stolen valuable metal;  
 25 commits concealing a valuable metal purchase, a Level 6 felony.

26 SECTION 9. IC 35-52-25-61.5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 27 1, 2026]. **Sec. 61.5. IC 25-37.5-1-7 defines a crime concerning valuable**  
 28 **metal dealers."**

29 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.  
 (Reference is to SB 271 as printed January 14, 2026.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass.**

Representative McNamara