



ENACTMENT SUMMARY

House Bill 210 **Catalytic converter theft** Effective October 6, 2026

On July 7, 2026, Governor DeWine signed House Bill 210 (Reps. Roemer and Plummer) into law. The bill creates new requirements for secondhand motor vehicle dealers pertaining to catalytic converters, but also creates new criminal offenses and penalties dealing with theft of, or receiving stolen, catalytic converters.

Theft

The bill amends the existing offense of theft (R.C. 2903.02 (A)) to provide that if the property stolen is a catalytic converter, the offense is an F5. If the offender is a business entity, the offense is “enterprise theft of a catalytic converter,” punishable by a fine of up to \$7,500. Any fine imposed for these theft offenses is to be paid by the clerk to the county, township, municipal corporation, park district, or state law enforcement agencies that primarily were responsible for, or involved in, the arrest and prosecution of the offense.

Receiving Stolen Catalytic Converter

The bill amends the existing offense of receiving stolen property (R.C. 2913.51) to provide that if the property involved is a catalytic converter, the offense is “receiving a stolen catalytic converter,” an F5. If the offender is a business entity, the offense is “enterprise receipt of a catalytic converter,” punishable by a fine of up to \$7,500. Any fine imposed for these theft offenses is to be paid by the clerk to the county, township, municipal corporation, park district, or state law enforcement agencies that primarily were responsible for, or involved in, the arrest and prosecution of the offense.

The bill passed the Ohio House of Representatives by a vote of 91-2 on June 4, 2025 and the Ohio Senate by a vote of 32-1 on June 10, 2026. The House voted on June 10, 2026 to concur in Senate amendments by a vote of 92-2. The bill was signed into law on July 7, 2026 and takes effect on October 6, 2026.