

**227.54 DELIVERY OF GOODS WITHOUT GETTING NEGOTIABLE RECEIPT.**

Subdivision 1. **Elements of crime; exception.** If:

(1) a warehouse operator, or an officer, agent, or employee of a warehouse operator, delivers goods out of the possession of the warehouse operator;

(2) the deliverer knows that a negotiable receipt is outstanding and uncanceled and that if the receipt were negotiated it would transfer the right to possess the goods; and

(3) the deliverer does not get possession of the receipt at or before the delivery;

then the deliverer is guilty of a crime, unless the delivery is permitted by law.

Subd. 2. **Penalty.** Whoever commits the crime described in subdivision 1 may be sentenced for each offense to imprisonment for not more than one year or to payment of a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both.

**History:** (5163) 1913 c 161 s 54; 1965 c 812 s 4; 1984 c 628 art 3 s 11; 1986 c 444; 1988 c 469 art 3 s 1