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## Pembroke Police Investigate Residential Cooper Thefts

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The Pembroke Police Department is investigating the theft of copper plumbing from 3 vacant homes on Pembroke Street. The thefts have occurred in the last 3 weeks, with two occurring between 7:00 PM on Monday evening and 7:00 AM yesterday morning. All of the homes are in the 300 block of Pembroke Street, between Academy Road and Pembroke Hill Road. The total cost of damage is between \$5,000 and \$10,000. Cooper piping is stolen and sold for scrap metal for a fraction of its original value.

All of the homes targeted were vacant and either listed for sale or had been bank foreclosed on. Police are urging all residents to call if they see any suspicious activity around vacant properties.

The Allenstown Police Department has taken 6 similar reports in the last month.

The Pembroke Police Department is looking for help from the public in solving this case. Tips can be forwarded anonymously to the Concord Regional Crimeline at 226-3100. Cash rewards up to \$1000 are offered to people who call the program and their information leads to an arrest. The Pembroke Police Department can be reached directly at 485-9173.

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