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BIG LOTS INC Form 8-K April 05, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 30, 2012

BIG LOTS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-8897 06-1119097

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

300 Phillipi Road, Columbus, Ohio 43228 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(614) 278-6800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(b) On March 30, 2012, David T. Kollat notified Big Lots, Inc. ("Company") that he will retire from the Company's Board of Directors effective at the Company's 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 23, 2012 ("Annual Meeting"). Accordingly, Mr. Kollat will not stand for re-election at the Annual Meeting.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BIG LOTS, INC.

Date: April 5, 2012 By: /s/ Charles W. Haubiel II

Charles W. Haubiel II

Executive Vice President, Legal and Real Estate,

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary