

TAKE IT BACK DRET 1

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INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

A **KNOCK** comes at the door. RACHEL answers. It is REAGAN, and she's doing her best impression of having it all together. Rachel isn't impressed...

REAGAN

I know you said you never wanted to see me again but I've thought about it and that's not something I want. You're my sister and I love you.

RACHEL

I'm sorry you feel that way, Reagan. Because my mind hasn't changed.

Rachel tries to close the door but Reagan sticks up a thick, folded envelope.

REAGAN

Rachel, wait!

Rachel reluctantly opens it wider.

REAGAN (CONT'D)

Here. Take it. (Rachel does) It's six thousand dollars--or close to it.

The number pings Rachel.

REAGAN (CONT'D)

I know I told you I saw Matt take it but it wasn't Matt--

RACHEL

--It was you.

Rachel's realization turns to a frown.

REAGAN

(stammering)

Look, Rachel, I-I-I know you had plans for the money but I really tried to get it back before you noticed. It's not too late, is it?

RACHEL

Considering I needed the money a month ago I'd say yeah, it's too late.

Rachel tries to close the door again but Reagan blocks it with her hand.

REAGAN

Come on, Rachel, you can't be like that if this is going to work! I'm here to make amends!

Rachel opens the door wider to make her point...

RACHEL
Well, that's too bad, Reagan! You ruined my relationship with Matt and now you've ruined ours. I don't have time for it anymore.

...and tries to slam it home but Reagan fights against her to keep the door open. They struggle, fighting the way that sisters do...the way they used to.

Rachel has always been the stronger sister and the door is almost closed when...

REAGAN
(voice breaking)
Rachel, please!

The desperate plea makes Rachel stop. Rachel catching her breath, slowly opens the door.

Reagan is crying...

REAGAN (CONT'D)
I know I'm a screw-up, alright? I didn't want the party to stop because when it does, I'll have to face the real world. So I stole from you and it makes me hate myself even more. And it was really hard for me to save that money.

RACHEL
(sarcastic)
You think?

The mood is lightened. Reagan sniffles as the waterworks turn off.

REAGAN
But I did it. For you. And I'll do whatever it takes to fix us. Will you let me?

Rachel takes a deep breath and exhales a smile. She invites Reagan in and they embrace...