

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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

**January 30, 2012**  
(Date of Report, Date of Earliest Event Reported)

**Stage Stores, Inc.**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**1-14035**  
(Commission File Number)

**NEVADA**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**91-1826900**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**10201 Main Street, Houston, Texas**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**77025**  
(Zip Code)

**(800) 579-2302**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

**(b)      Resignation of Named Executive Officer**

On January 30, 2012, Richard Maloney, Chief Merchandising Officer of Stage Stores, Inc. (the “Company”), resigned from the Company to pursue other interests. Mr. Maloney joined the Company in October 2008 and served as Chief Merchandising Officer since February 2010. The Company has begun a search for his replacement.

**Item 8.01      Other Events**

On February 2, 2012, the Company issued a News Release reporting its January 2012 sales results and announcing the resignation of Richard Maloney. A copy of the News Release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

**Item 9.01      Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**(d)      Exhibits**

- 99      News Release issued by Stage Stores, Inc. on February 2, 2012, reporting its January 2012 sales results and announcing the resignation of Richard Maloney.

**SIGNATURES**

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.

**STAGE STORES, INC.**

February 3, 2012  
(Date)

/s/ Oded Shein  
Oded Shein  
Chief Financial Officer