BIG LOTS INC Form SC 13G February 11, 2004

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

Big Lots Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

08930210

(CUSIP Number)

Calendar Year 2003

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b) [] Rule 13d-1(c) [] Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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	1.	Names of Reporting Persons. Cooke & Bieler, L.P. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). 23-3082822		
	2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) (a) [] (b) []		
	3.	SEC USE ONLY		
	4.	Citizenship or Place of Organization		
			Pennsylvania	
		5.	Sole Voting Power 1,255,420	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With:		6.	Shared Voting Power 3,861,250	
		7.	Sole Dispositive Power 1,255,420	
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power 5,105,945	
	9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 6,392,365		
	10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) []		
	11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)		
		5.5%		
	12.	Type of Reporting	g Person	

Item 1.

Item 2.

Item 3.

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(a)	Name of Issuer	
(b)	Big Lots Inc. Address of Issuer's Pr	incipal Executive Offices
(0)		incipal Executive offices
	300 Phillipi Road P.O. Box 28512	
	Columbus, Ohio 4322	28-5311
(a)	Name of Person Filing	g
	Cooke & Bieler, L.P.	
(b)	Address of Principal I	Business Office or, if none, Residence
	1700 Market Street	
	Philadelphia, PA 1910	03
(c)	Citizenship	
	Pennsylvania	
(d)	Title of Class of Secu	rities
	Common Stock	
(e)	CUSIP Number	
	08930210	
	If this statement is fi whether the person f	led pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check
(a)	[]	Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15
(")	LJ	U.S.C. 780).
(b)	[]	Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(a)	F 1	Incurrence company as defined in section $2(a)(10)$ of the

(c)	[]	Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(d)	[]	Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).
(e)	[X]	An investment adviser in accordance with

		§240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
(f)	[]	An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);

[] A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);

- [] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) [] Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Item 4.		Ownership.	
	(a)	Amount beneficially ow	ned:
		6,392,365	
	(b)	Percent of class:	
		5.5%	
	(c)	Number of shares as to which the person has:	
		(i)	Sole power to vote or to direct the vote
			1,255,420
		(ii)	Shared power to vote or to direct the vote
			3,861,250
		(iii)	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
			1,255,420
		(iv)	Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
			5,105,945

Item 5.

Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [].

Instruction: Dissolution of a group requires a response to this item.

Item 6.	Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person
Item 7.	Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company
Item 8.	Identification and Classification of Members of the Group
Item 9.	Notice of Dissolution of Group

Item 10.

Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 11, 2004

Cooke & Bieler, L.P.

By: /s/ Linda Nitka Perna

Linda Nitka Perna Title: Compliance Officer

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