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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Crimes - Counterfeiting United States Currency**

3 FOR the purpose of making it unlawful to manufacture with intent to defraud,
4 counterfeit, cause to be counterfeited, or willingly aid or assist in counterfeiting
5 United States currency; making it unlawful to make, transmit, or have control of
6 certain types of images of United States currency with intent to defraud;
7 providing criminal penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to
8 the counterfeiting of United States currency.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article - Criminal Law
11 Section 1-101(c)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2002 Volume)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article - Criminal Law
16 Section 8-604
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2002 Volume)

19 BY adding to
20 Article - Criminal Law
21 Section 8-604
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2002 Volume)

24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
25 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Criminal Law

2 1-101.

3 (c) "Counterfeit" means to forge, counterfeit, materially alter, or falsely make.

4 8-604.

5 (A) A PERSON MAY NOT:

6 (1) MANUFACTURE UNITED STATES CURRENCY WITH INTENT TO
7 DEFRAUD;8 (2) COUNTERFEIT, CAUSE TO BE COUNTERFEITED, OR WILLINGLY AID
9 OR ASSIST IN COUNTERFEITING UNITED STATES CURRENCY; OR10 (3) MAKE, SCAN, RECORD, REPRODUCE, TRANSMIT, OR HAVE IN THE
11 PERSON'S CONTROL, CUSTODY, OR POSSESSION AN ANALOG, DIGITAL, OR
12 ELECTRONIC IMAGE OF UNITED STATES CURRENCY WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD.13 (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND ON
14 CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 10 YEARS OR A FINE
15 NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH.

16 [8-604.] 8-604.1.

17 (a) A person may not knowingly possess, with unlawful intent, or issue
18 counterfeit United States currency.19 (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on
20 conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a fine not exceeding
21 \$1,000 or both.22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
23 effect October 1, 2003.