## **SENATE BILL 8**

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## By: Senator Colburn Senators Colburn, Forehand, Giannetti, Green, Haines, Jacobs, Jimeno, and Mooney

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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

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## **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 prohibiting a person, with

8 intent to defraud, from manufacturing, counterfeiting, or causing, aiding, or

9 assisting in counterfeiting United States currency; prohibiting a person, with

10 intent to defraud, from making, scanning, recording, reproducing, transmitting,

11 or possessing certain images of United States currency; establishing certain

12 <u>penalties</u>; and generally relating to the counterfeiting of United States currency.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 14 Article Criminal Law
- 15 Section 1-101(c)
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2002 Volume)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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

1 BY adding to

2 Article - Criminal Law

3 Section 8-604

4 Annotated Code of Maryland

5 (2002 Volume)

6 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF7 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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## Article - Criminal Law

9 1-101.

10 (c) "Counterfeit" means to forge, counterfeit, materially alter, or falsely make. 11 8-604.

12 (A) A PERSON MAY NOT, WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD:

13(1)MANUFACTURE UNITED STATES CURRENCY WITH INTENT TO14 DEFRAUD;

15(2)COUNTERFEIT, CAUSE TO BE COUNTERFEITED, OR WILLINGLY AID16OR ASSIST IN COUNTERFEITING UNITED STATES CURRENCY; OR

MAKE, SCAN, RECORD, REPRODUCE, TRANSMIT, OR HAVE IN THE
PERSON'S CONTROL, CUSTODY, OR POSSESSION AN ANALOG, DIGITAL, OR
ELECTRONIC IMAGE OF UNITED STATES CURRENCY WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD.

20 (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND ON 21 CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 10 YEARS OR A FINE 22 NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH.

23 [8-604.] 8-604.1.

24 (a) A person may not knowingly possess, with unlawful intent, or issue 25 counterfeit United States currency.

(b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and onconviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a fine not exceeding\$1,000 or both.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take 30 effect October 1, 2003.

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