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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Fraud in Obtaining or Applying for a Driver's License -**
3 **Penalty**

4 FOR the purpose of increasing the penalty for a person convicted of certain acts of
5 fraud in obtaining, attempting to obtain, or applying for a driver's license; and
6 generally relating to fraud in obtaining or applying for a driver's license.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article - Transportation
9 Section 16-301(a) and (b) and 27-101(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Transportation
14 Section 27-101(c)(12)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

17 BY adding to
18 Article - Transportation
19 Section 27-101(x)
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

24 **Article - Transportation**

25 16-301.

26 (a) A person may not knowingly or fraudulently obtain or attempt to obtain a
27 driver's license by misrepresentation.

- 1 (b) A person may not in any application for a driver's license:
- 2 (1) Use a false or fictitious name;
- 3 (2) Knowingly make a false statement;
- 4 (3) Knowingly conceal a material fact;
- 5 (4) Use a false, fictitious, or fraudulently altered document; or
- 6 (5) Otherwise commit a fraud.

7 27-101.

8 (a) It is a misdemeanor for any person to violate any of the provisions of the
9 Maryland Vehicle Law unless the violation:

- 10 (1) Is declared to be a felony by the Maryland Vehicle Law or by any
11 other law of this State; or
- 12 (2) Is punishable by a civil penalty under the applicable provision of the
13 Maryland Vehicle Law.

14 (c) Any person who is convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of the
15 following sections of this article is subject to a fine of not more than \$500 or
16 imprisonment for not more than 2 months or both:

17 (12) [§ 16-301] § 16-301(C) THROUGH (Q) ("Unlawful [application for or]
18 use of license");

19 (X) ANY PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF § 16-301(A) OR (B) OF
20 THIS ARTICLE IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT
21 FOR NOT MORE THAN 6 MONTHS OR BOTH.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2005.