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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Commercial Law - Personal and Business Documents - Authentication**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that certain personal and business documents are
4 admissible as evidence and presumed to be authentic if a certain person testifies
5 as to their authenticity in any judicial or administrative proceeding; and
6 generally relating to the authentication of personal and business documents.

7 BY adding to
8 Article - Commercial Law
9 Section 24-101 to be under the new title "Title 24. Authentication of Documents"
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2005 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article - Commercial Law**

15 TITLE 24. AUTHENTICATION OF DOCUMENTS.

16 24-101.

17 THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE ADMISSIBLE AS EVIDENCE AND PRESUMED
18 TO BE AUTHENTIC IF THE ACCOUNT HOLDER TESTIFIES TO AS TO THEIR
19 AUTHENTICITY IN ANY JUDICIAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING:

- 20 (1) PERSONAL BANK RECORDS;
- 21 (2) BUSINESS BANK RECORDS;
- 22 (3) PERSONAL CREDIT CARD REPORTS;
- 23 (4) BUSINESS CREDIT CARD REPORTS;
- 24 (5) PERSONAL CREDIT CARD STATEMENTS;

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1 (6) BUSINESS CREDIT CARD STATEMENTS;

2 (7) PERSONAL CREDIT CARD NOTICES; AND

3 (8) BUSINESS CREDIT CARD NOTICES.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2006.