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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Law - Credit Card Crimes - Use of Affidavit by Credit Cardholder**
3 **in Criminal Case or Juvenile Proceeding**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing in a criminal case or juvenile proceeding involving a
5 violation of certain credit card crimes the introduction of the affidavit of a lawful
6 credit cardholder as substantive evidence that the credit card or credit card
7 number was taken, used, or possessed without the authorization of the credit
8 cardholder; and generally relating to the use of affidavits in criminal cases and
9 juvenile proceedings involving credit card crimes.

10 BY adding to

11 Article - Criminal Law

12 Section 8-214.1

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

17 **Article - Criminal Law**

18 8-214.1.

19 IN A CRIMINAL CASE OR JUVENILE PROCEEDING INVOLVING A VIOLATION OF §
20 8-204, § 8-205, § 8-206, § 8-207, § 8-208, § 8-209, § 8-210, OR § 8-214 OF THIS SUBTITLE, AN
21 AFFIDAVIT SWORN TO BY A LAWFUL CREDIT CARDHOLDER MAY BE INTRODUCED AS
22 SUBSTANTIVE EVIDENCE THAT THE CREDIT CARD OR CREDIT CARD NUMBER WAS
23 TAKEN, USED, OR POSSESSED WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE CREDIT
24 CARDHOLDER.

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