

HOUSE BILL 1126

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Crimes – Identity Fraud – Restitution for Loss of Employment or Wages**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to order a person who pleads guilty or nolo
4 contendere to the crime of identity fraud or who is found guilty of identity fraud
5 to make restitution to the victim for reasonable costs, including reasonable
6 attorney's fees, incurred by the victim in connection with a loss of employment
7 or wages from employment; and generally relating to the crime of identity
8 fraud.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Criminal Law
11 Section 8–301(i)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2002 Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Criminal Law**

17 8–301.

18 (i) In addition to restitution under Title 11, Subtitle 6 of the Criminal
19 Procedure Article, a court may order a person who pleads guilty or nolo contendere or
20 who is found guilty under this section to make restitution to the victim for reasonable
21 costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred:

22 (1) for clearing the victim's credit history or credit rating; [and]

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) in connection with a civil or administrative proceeding to satisfy a
2 debt, lien, judgment, or other obligation of the victim that arose because of the
3 violation; **AND**

4 **(3) IN CONNECTION WITH A LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT OR WAGES**
5 **FROM EMPLOYMENT BY THE VICTIM.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2009.