

respective station houses in the City of Baltimore shall have concurrent jurisdiction over such offense with the Criminal Court of Baltimore City].

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title, "Crimes and Punishments", Section 140, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

§ 140. Obtaining money, etc., under false pretenses with intent to defraud.

Any person who shall by any false pretense obtain from any other person any chattel, money or valuable security, with intent to defraud any person of the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the discretion of the court, to be punished by fine and imprisonment, or by confinement in the penitentiary for not less than two years nor more than ten years, as the court shall award; provided always, that if upon the trial of any person indicted for such misdemeanor it shall be provided that he obtained the property in question in any such manner as to amount in law to larceny or robbery, he shall not by reason thereof be entitled to be acquitted of such misdemeanor; and no person tried upon such misdemeanor shall be afterwards liable to be prosecuted for larceny or robbery upon the same facts; and provided also, that a mere promise for future payment, though not intended to be performed, shall not be sufficient to authorize a conviction under this section. In Wicomico County where the amount of money or the value of the thing received does not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00), the People's Court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the Circuit Court to try persons charged with violating this section and §§ 142 and 144 of this article, provided that persons so convicted in the People's Court shall not be sentenced to the penitentiary by that court. *In Baltimore City where the amount of money or the value of the thing received does not exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), the Municipal Court of Baltimore City shall have jurisdiction to try persons charged with violating this section, provided that persons so convicted in the Municipal Court shall not be sentenced to the penitentiary by that court.*

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title, "Crimes and Punishments", Section 142, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

§ 142. Obtaining money, etc., by bad check.

Every person who, with intent to cheat and defraud another, shall obtain money, credit, goods, release from any debt or obligation for materials or labor in the construction or repair of any building or buildings, wares or anything of value, of the value of one hundred dollars or more, by means of a check, draft or any other negotiable instrument of any kind drawn, whether by such person or by any other person, persons, firm or corporation, upon any bank, person, firm, or corporation, not indebted to drawer, or where the drawer or drawers thereof, shall not have provided for the payment or acceptance, and the same be not paid upon presentation, shall be deemed to have obtained such money, credit, goods, release,