

CHAPTER 484

(Senate Bill 837)

AN ACT concerning

Crimes - Counterfeiting and Possession of Counterfeit Check, Letter of Credit, or Negotiable Instrument

FOR the purpose of establishing the crimes of counterfeiting a check, letter of credit, endorsement or assignment of a check or negotiable instrument, or possessing a counterfeit check, letter of credit, endorsement or assignment of a check or negotiable instrument under certain circumstances; establishing penalties for violation of this Act; ~~authorizing the Attorney General to investigate and prosecute certain alleged offenses; giving the Attorney General certain powers and duties when exercising authority under this Act;~~ authorizing commencement of a prosecution under this Act in certain jurisdictions; and generally relating to counterfeiting and possession of counterfeit financial instruments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Law

Section 8-601

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article - Criminal Law

8-601.

(a) A person, with intent to defraud another, may not counterfeit, cause to be counterfeited, or willingly aid or assist in counterfeiting any:

(1) bond;

(2) CHECK;

[(2)](3) deed;

[(3)](4) draft;

[(4)](5) endorsement or assignment of a bond, draft, CHECK, or promissory note;

[(5)](6) entry in an account book or ledger;

(7) LETTER OF CREDIT;

(8) NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT;