

(2) "Payment device number" has the meaning stated in § 8-213 of this title.

(3) "Personal identifying information" means a name, address, telephone number, driver's license number, Social Security number, place of employment, employee identification number, mother's maiden name, bank or other financial institution account number, date of birth, personal identification number, credit card number, or other payment device number.

(b) A person may not knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent possess, obtain, or help another to possess or obtain any personal identifying information of an individual, without the consent of the individual, in order to use, sell, or transfer the information to get a benefit, credit, good, service, or other thing of value in the name of the individual.

(c) A person may not knowingly and willfully assume the identity of another:

- (1) to avoid identification, apprehension, or prosecution for a crime; or
- (2) with fraudulent intent to:
  - (i) get a benefit, credit, good, service, or other thing of value; or
  - (ii) avoid the payment of debt or other legal obligation.

(d) (1) A person who violates this section where the benefit, credit, goods, services, or other thing of value that is the subject of subsection (b) or (c) of this section has a value of \$500 or greater is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 5 years or a fine not exceeding \$25,000 or both.

(2) A person who violates this section where the benefit, credit, goods, services, or other thing of value that is the subject of subsection (b) or (c) of this section has a value of less than \$500 is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 18 months or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

(3) A person who violates this section under circumstances that reasonably indicate that the person's intent was to manufacture, distribute, or dispense another individual's personal identifying information without that individual's consent is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 5 years or a fine not exceeding \$25,000 or both.

(4) A person who violates subsection (c)(1) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 18 months or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

(5) When the violation of this section is pursuant to one scheme or continuing course of conduct, whether from the same or several sources, the conduct may be considered as one violation and the value of the benefit, credit, goods, services, or other thing of value may be aggregated in determining whether the violation is a felony or misdemeanor.