

(C) THE FORFEITURE OF PROPERTY UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.

7-409.

THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE MARYLAND MORTGAGE FRAUD PROTECTION ACT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect June 1, 2008~~ is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved by the Governor, April 3, 2008.

CHAPTER 4

(House Bill 360)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property - Maryland Mortgage Fraud Protection Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from committing mortgage fraud; authorizing the Attorney General or the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to seek an injunction to prohibit a violation of certain provisions of this Act; authorizing the Attorney General and the State's Attorney to conduct the criminal investigation and prosecution of mortgage fraud under certain provisions of this Act; authorizing a private right of action for a violation of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; imposing certain penalties for a violation of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; providing for the forfeiture of property used in a violation of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; establishing procedures for the forfeiture of certain property; defining certain terms; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to mortgage fraud.

BY adding to

Article - Criminal Procedure