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CHAPTER 229

# **SENATE BILL 1225**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 13-2002, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO FORGERY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 13-2002, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:  
4 13-2002. Forgery; classification  
5 A. A person commits forgery if, with intent to defraud, the person:  
6 1. Falsely makes, completes or alters a written instrument; or  
7 2. Knowingly possesses a forged instrument; or  
8 3. Offers or presents, whether accepted or not, a forged instrument or  
9 one that contains false information.  
10 B. The possession of five or more forged instruments may give rise to  
11 an inference that the instruments are possessed with an intent to defraud.  
12 C. Forgery is a class 4 felony, EXCEPT THAT IF THE FORGED INSTRUMENT  
13 IS USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE, LEASE OR RENTING OF A DWELLING THAT  
14 IS USED AS A DROP HOUSE, IT IS A CLASS 3 FELONY. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS  
15 SUBSECTION, "DROP HOUSE" MEANS PROPERTY THAT IS USED TO FACILITATE SMUGGLING  
16 PURSUANT TO SECTION 13-2319.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 25, 2011.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 25, 2011.

Passed the House April 20, 2011,

Passed the Senate February 22, 2011,

by the following vote: 54 Ayes,

by the following vote: 26 Ayes,

5 Nays, 1 Not Voting

3 Nays, 1 Not Voting

[Signature]  
Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

Cheryl Laube  
Chief Clerk of the House

Charmint Bellinger  
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this  
20 day of April, 2011,

at 12:00 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]  
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 25<sup>th</sup> day of

April, 2011,

at 11:17 o'clock A. M.

[Signature]  
Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State  
this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011,

at 2:45 o'clock A. M.

[Signature]  
Secretary of State

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