

Public Law 106–578  
106th Congress

An Act

To strengthen the enforcement of Federal statutes relating to false identification,  
and for other purposes.

Dec. 28, 2000

[S. 2924]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Internet False Identification  
Prevention Act of 2000”.

Internet False  
Identification  
Prevention Act of  
2000.  
18 USC 1001  
note.

**SEC. 2. COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON FALSE IDENTIFICATION.**

18 USC 1028  
note.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Attorney General and the Secretary of  
the Treasury shall establish a coordinating committee to ensure,  
through existing interagency task forces or other means, that the  
creation and distribution of false identification documents (as  
defined in section 1028(d)(3) of title 18, United States Code, as  
added by section 3(2) of this Act) is vigorously investigated and  
prosecuted.

(b) **MEMBERSHIP.**—The coordinating committee shall consist of  
the Director of the United States Secret Service, the Director of  
the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Attorney General, the  
Commissioner of Social Security, and the Commissioner of Immigra-  
tion and Naturalization, or their respective designees.

(c) **TERM.**—The coordinating committee shall terminate 2 years  
after the effective date of this Act.

(d) **REPORT.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Attorney General and the Secretary  
of the Treasury, at the end of each year of the existence of  
the committee, shall report to the Committee on the Judiciary  
of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House  
of Representatives on the activities of the committee.

(2) **CONTENTS.**—The report referred to in paragraph (1)  
shall include—

(A) the total number of indictments and informations,  
guilty pleas, convictions, and acquittals resulting from the  
investigation and prosecution of the creation and distribu-  
tion of false identification documents during the preceding  
year;

(B) identification of the Federal judicial districts in  
which the indictments and informations were filed, and  
in which the subsequent guilty pleas, convictions, and  
acquittals occurred;

(C) specification of the Federal statutes utilized for  
prosecution;

(D) a brief factual description of significant investigations and prosecutions;

(E) specification of the sentence imposed as a result of each guilty plea and conviction; and

(F) recommendations, if any, for legislative changes that could facilitate more effective investigation and prosecution of the creation and distribution of false identification documents.

#### **SEC. 3. FALSE IDENTIFICATION.**

Section 1028 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(3)(A), by inserting “, including the transfer of a document by electronic means” after “commerce”; and

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “template, computer file, computer disc,” after “impression,”;

(B) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” after the semicolon;

(C) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (8);

(D) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through (5) as paragraphs (4) through (6), respectively;

(E) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following:

“(3) the term ‘false identification document’ means a document of a type intended or commonly accepted for the purposes of identification of individuals that—

“(A) is not issued by or under the authority of a governmental entity; and

“(B) appears to be issued by or under the authority of the United States Government, a State, a political subdivision of a State, a foreign government, a political subdivision of a foreign government, or an international governmental or quasi-governmental organization;” and

(F) by inserting after paragraph (6), as redesignated, the following:

“(7) the term ‘transfer’ includes selecting an identification document, false identification document, or document-making implement and placing or directing the placement of such identification document, false identification document, or document-making implement on an online location where it is available to others; and”.

#### **SEC. 4. REPEAL.**

Section 1738 of title 18, United States Code, and the item relating to that section in the table of contents for chapter 83 of that title, are repealed.

**SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

18 USC 1028  
note.

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 2924:**

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