

Chapter 97

(House Bill 338)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Robbery – Charging Document

FOR the purpose of altering the minimum value of property or service specified in a charging document for robbery; and generally relating to robbery of property or service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

Article – Criminal Law

3–404.

(a) An indictment, information, warrant, or other charging document for robbery is sufficient if it substantially states:

“(name of defendant) on (date) in (county) did feloniously rob (name of victim) of (property/service) (having a value of **[\$500] \$1,000** or more) (with a dangerous weapon) in violation of (section violated) against the peace, government, and dignity of the State.”.

(b) If a charging document alleges that the value of the property or service subject to this subtitle is **[\$500] \$1,000** or more, the court shall instruct the jury to determine whether the value of the property or service is less than **[\$500] \$1,000**, or **[\$500] \$1,000** or more.

(c) Unless a charging document alleges that the value of the property or service subject to this subtitle is **[\$500] \$1,000** or more, a felony violation of § 7–104 of this article is not a lesser included crime of robbery.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor, April 9, 2013.