



## **BUCKEYE STATE SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION**

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Betsy Spain Union County May 17, 2018

Honorable Kevin Bacon, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee 1 Capitol Square Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Bacon,

This Association has had an opportunity to review HB 405, updating counterfeiting statutes, and we have voted to support Amended HB 405 as passed by the Ohio House of Representatives

The statutes involving counterfeiting have not been updated in many years. Technological changes have rapidly outpaced law enforcement's efforts to curtail this crime and the criminals that profit from it. Adding this crime as a corrupt activity will, hopefully, allow the prosecutors to lock-up these individuals for longer periods of time.

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If you should have any questions please contact me.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Cornwell **Executive Director** 

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2010

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2016 **Randy Thorp** Licking County

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