AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to counterfeiting currency; amending K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5840 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5840 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-5840. (a) Counterfeiting currency is, with the intent to defraud:

(1) Making, forging, counterfeiting or altering any note, currency, obligation or security of the United States with the intent to defraud;

(2) Distributing, or possessing with the intent to distribute, any note, currency, obligation or security of the United States knowing such note, currency, obligation or security has been falsely made, forged, counterfeited or altered; or

(3) Possessing any paper, ink, printer, press, currency plate, computer or other item with the intent to produce any counterfeit make, forge, counterfeited or alter any note, currency, obligation or security of the United States.

(b) Counterfeiting currency as defined in:

(1) Subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) is a:

(A) Severity level 7, nonperson felony, if the total face value of the notes, currency, obligations or securities seized is $25,000 or more; and

(B) Severity level 8, nonperson felony, if the total face value of the notes, currency, obligations or securities seized is less than $25,000; and

(2) Subsection (a)(3) is a severity level 9, nonperson felony.

(c) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas criminal code.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5840 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.