

object of the record to be recognised either generally or by informed persons and is intended as proof of a legally relevant fact, regardless of whether this was already the purpose of the presentation when it was produced or only later.

(3) It shall be equivalent to the production of a counterfeit technical record if the offender influences the result of the record by interfering with the recording process.

(4) The attempt shall be punishable.

(5) Section 267(3) and (4) shall apply mutatis mutandis.

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Section 269 **Forgery of data intended to provide proof**

(1) Whosoever for the purposes of deception in legal commerce stores or modifies data intended to provide proof in such a way that a counterfeit or falsified document would be created upon their retrieval, or uses data stored or modified in such a manner, shall be liable to imprisonment not exceeding five years or a fine.

(2) The attempt shall be punishable.

(3) Section 267(3) and (4) shall apply mutatis mutandis.

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Section 270 **Meaning of deception in the context of data processing**

Falsely influencing data processing operations in legal commerce shall be equivalent to deception in legal commerce.

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Section 271 **Causing wrong entries to be made in public records**

(1) Whosoever causes declarations, negotiations or facts which are of relevance for rights or legal relationships to be recorded or stored in public documents, books, data storage media or registers as having been made or having occurred, when they either were not made or did not occur, or were made or occurred differently or were made by a person lacking a professed quality or by a different person, shall be liable to imprisonment not exceeding three years or a fine.

(2) Whosoever for the purpose of deception in legal commerce uses a false certification or stored data of the type indicated in subsection (1) above shall incur the same penalty.

(3) If the offender acts for material gain or with the intent of enriching himself or a third person or of harming another person the penalty shall be imprisonment from three months to five years.

(4) The attempt shall be punishable.

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Section 272 **(repealed)**

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Section 273 **Tampering with official identity documents**

(1) Whosoever for the purpose of deception in legal commerce

1. removes, renders unrecognisable, covers up or suppresses an entry in an official identity document or removes a single page from an official identity document or