1987 Senate Bill 211

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AN ACT to create 66.4025 of the statutes, relating to providing penalties for fraud against city, village and county housing authorities.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 66.4025 of the statutes is created to read:

66.4025 Penalties; evidence. (1) (a) Any person who secures or assists in securing dwelling accommodations under s. 66.402 by intentionally making false representations in order to receive more than \$1,000 and less than \$2,500 in financial assistance for which the person would not otherwise be entitled shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 9 months or both.

- (b) Any person who secures or assists in securing dwelling accommodations under s. 66.402 by intentionally making false representations in order to receive at least \$2,500 but not more than \$25,000 in financial assistance for which the person would not otherwise be entitled shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 2 years or both.
- (c) Any person who secures or assists in securing dwelling accommodations under s. 66.402 by intentionally making false representations in order to receive more than \$25,000 in financial assistance for

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which the person would not otherwise be entitled shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 5 years or both.

- (2) Any administrator or employe of an authority under s. 66.402 who receives or solicits any commission or derives or seeks to obtain any personal financial gain through any contract for the rental or lease of dwelling accommodations under s. 66.402 shall be punished under s. 946.13.
- (3) Any person who receives assistance for dwelling accommodations under s. 66.402, who has been notified by the authority of the obligation to report an increase in income or assets that would reduce the amount of that assistance and who intentionally fails

to notify the authority of the receipt of such income or assets is subject to:

- (a) The penalty under sub. (1) (a) if the failure to report results in the receipt of more than \$1,000 and less than \$2,500 in financial assistance for which the person would not otherwise be entitled.
- (b) The penalty under sub. (1) (b) if the failure to report results in the receipt of at least \$2,500 but not more than \$25,000 in financial assistance for which the person would not otherwise be entitled.
- (c) The penalty under sub. (1) (c) if the failure to report results in the receipt of more than \$25,000 in financial assistance for which the person would be not otherwise be entitled.

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