

§4143. Penalties

1. False or fraudulent statement in application. A person who intentionally or knowingly makes a false or fraudulent statement in or relating to an application for membership or for the purpose of obtaining money from or a benefit in any society commits a Class E crime.

[PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. M, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF).]

2. Perjury. A person who intentionally or knowingly makes a false or fraudulent statement in any verified report or declaration under oath required or authorized by this chapter or of any material fact contained in a sworn statement concerning the death or disability of a member for the purpose of procuring payment of a benefit named in the certificate commits the crime of perjury and is subject to the penalties prescribed by law.

[PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. M, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF).]

3. Soliciting membership in society not licensed to do business. A person who solicits membership for or in any manner assists in procuring membership in a society not licensed to do business in this State commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$200 may be adjudged.

[PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. M, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF).]

4. General penalty. A person who intentionally or knowingly violates or neglects or refuses to comply with the provisions of this chapter for which a penalty is not otherwise prescribed is subject to the penalties under section 12-A.

[PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. M, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW). PL 1991, c. 797, §11 (AMD). PL 2003, c. 452, §M1 (RPR). PL 2003, c. 452, §X2 (AFF).

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