

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 975

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Medicaid Program
8 Integrity Act; amending 56 O.S. 2011, Section 1005.1,
9 which relates to fraudulent receipt of assistance;
10 mandating that applications for Medicaid assistance
11 contain certain perjury warning; and providing an
12 effective date.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 56 O.S. 2011, Section 1005.1, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1005.1. A. As used in this section:

17 1. "Administrative sanction" means the court may enter an order
18 making an individual who violates a provision of this section
19 ineligible for assistance for a specified period of time. Such
20 order shall be communicated to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority
21 Legal Division; and

22 2. "Insure Oklahoma" means the program administered by the
23 Oklahoma Health Care Authority pursuant to Sections 1010.1 through
24 1010.13 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. Any individual who:

1 1. Obtains or attempts to obtain, or aids, abets or assists any
2 individual to obtain, by means of a false statement or
3 representation, or by false impersonation, or by a fictitious
4 transfer, conveyance or encumbrance of property or income, or by a
5 knowing and willful failure to report to the Department of Human
6 Services or the Oklahoma Health Care Authority income, personal
7 property, real property, household members, or other material
8 eligibility factors at the time of application or during the receipt
9 of assistance, or by other fraudulent device, assistance to which an
10 applicant is not entitled or assistance greater than that to which
11 an applicant is justly entitled shall be guilty of a misdemeanor or
12 a felony;

13 2. By sale, barter, purchase, theft, acquisition, possession or
14 use of any medical identification card or any other device
15 authorizing participation in the Oklahoma Medicaid Program,
16 knowingly obtains, aids, abets or assists any individual to obtain
17 or attempt to obtain assistance to which an individual is not
18 entitled shall be guilty of a misdemeanor or a felony; or

19 3. Attempts to obtain Medicaid or Insure Oklahoma benefits by
20 omitting income, personal property, household members, or other
21 material eligibility factors shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a
22 misdemeanor punishable by either a fine of three times the amount of
23 assistance, or up to three (3) months in the county jail. In
24 addition, the individual may also be punished by an administrative

1 sanction regarding Medicaid benefits. The court shall have
2 discretion in determining penalties.

3 C. If the acts in either paragraph 1 or 2 of subsection B of
4 this section or both paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection B of this
5 section cause the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to determine that
6 an individual or family is eligible for Medicaid or the Insure
7 Oklahoma program and the aggregate amount of assistance paid on
8 behalf of the individual or individuals is less than Five Thousand
9 Dollars (\$5,000.00), the penalty, upon conviction, shall be a
10 misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both a fine and
11 imprisonment for three (3) months or an administrative sanction
12 regarding Medicaid benefits in the discretion of the court. If the
13 acts in paragraph 1 or 2 of subsection B of this section or both
14 paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection B of this section cause the
15 Oklahoma Health Care Authority to determine an individual or family
16 eligible for Medicaid or the Insure Oklahoma program and the
17 aggregate amount of assistance paid on behalf of the individual or
18 individuals is equal to or greater than Five Thousand Dollars
19 (\$5,000.00), the penalty, upon conviction, shall be a felony
20 punishable by fine or imprisonment or both a fine and imprisonment
21 for not more than five (5) years or an administrative sanction
22 regarding Medicaid benefits in the discretion of the court.

23 D. Each application for Medicaid assistance shall contain a
24 statement, under penalty of perjury, alleging that all matters

1 stated therein are true and correct. The statement under penalty of
2 perjury may be substantially in the following form:

3 "I state under penalty of perjury under the laws of Oklahoma
4 that the foregoing is true and correct.

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6 (Date) (Signature)"

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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