

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1995

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HOUSE BILL 1291*

Short Title: Food Stamp Felony Fraud.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Berry; Aldridge, Bowie, Buchanan, Creech, Decker, Edwards, Esposito, Hiatt, Hill, Howard, Thompson, Warner, C. Wilson, and G. Wilson.

Referred to: Welfare Reform and Human Resources.

May 22, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON
2 WELFARE REFORM TO CORRECT THE LAW REGARDING THE FOOD
3 STAMP FELONY FRAUD THRESHOLD.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 108A-53(a), as amended by Section 19.5(n) of Chapter 507 of
7 the 1995 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

8 "(a) Any person, whether provider or recipient or person representing himself as
9 such, who knowingly obtains or attempts to obtain, or aids or abets any person to obtain
10 by means of making a willfully false statement or representation or by impersonation or
11 by failing to disclose material facts or in any manner not authorized by this Part or the
12 regulations issued pursuant thereto, transfers with intent to defraud any food stamps or
13 authorization cards to which ~~he~~ that person is not entitled in the amount of ~~one thousand~~
14 ~~dollars (\$1,000)~~ four hundred dollars (\$400.00) or less shall be guilty of a Class 1
15 misdemeanor. Whoever knowingly obtains or attempts to obtain, or aids or abets any
16 person to obtain by means of making a willfully false statement or representation or by
17 impersonation or by failing to disclose material facts or in any manner not authorized by
18 this Part or the regulations issued pursuant thereto, transfers with intent to defraud any
19 food stamps or authorization cards to which he is not entitled in an amount more than ~~one~~

1 ~~thousand dollars (\$1,000)~~ four hundred dollars (\$400.00) shall be guilty of a Class I
2 felony."

3 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1996, and applies to offenses
4 committed on or after that date.