## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE BILL No. 2348 1992 

INTRODUCED BY DeLUCA, JOHNSON, HARPER, STABACK, COLAIZZO, PETRARCA, CARONE, KOSINSKI, GERLACH, PESCI, VEON, SURRA, FAJT, BILLOW, KRUSZEWSKI, GIGLIOTTI, CIVERA, PISTELLA AND TOMLINSON, JANUARY 29, 1992

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, JANUARY 29, 1992

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public welfare laws of the Commonwealth," increasing penalties for fraud.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 1407 (b) (1) of the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, added July 10, 1980 (P.L.493, No.105), is amended to read:

Section 1407. Provider Prohibited Acts, Criminal Penalties and Civil Remedies.--* * *
(b) (1) A person who violates any provision of subsection (a), excepting subsection (a) (11), is guilty of a felony of the [third] second degree for each such violation with a maximum penalty of [fifteen thousand dollars $(\$ 15,000)$ and seven] thirty thousand dollars $(\$ 30,000)$ and ten years imprisonment. A violation of subsection (a) shall be deemed to continue so long as the course of conduct or the defendant's complicity therein
continues; the offense is committed when the course of conduct or complicity of the defendant therein is terminated in accordance with the provisions of 42 Pa.C.S. § 5552(d) (relating to other offenses). Whenever any person has been previously convicted in any state or Federal court of conduct that would constitute a violation of subsection (a), a subsequent allegation, indictment or information under subsection (a) shall be classified as a felony of the [second] first degree with a maximum penalty of [twenty-five thousand dollars $(\$ 25,000)$ and ten] thirty-five thousand dollars $(\$ 35,000)$ and fifteen years imprisonment.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

