

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated

Title 21: Crimes and Punishments

Part VII. Crimes Against Property

Chapter 61: False Pretenses, False Personations, Cheats and Frauds

§ 1515. Telecommunication services--Unlawful procurement--Penalty

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Any individual, corporation, or other person, who, with intent to defraud or to aid and abet another to defraud any individual, corporation, or other person, of the lawful charge, in whole or in part, for any telecommunications service, shall avoid or attempt to avoid or shall cause or assist another to avoid or attempt to avoid any such charge for such service:

(a) by charging such service to an existing account, or using such services from an existing account, telephone number or credit card number without the authority of the subscriber thereto or the legitimate holder thereof; or

(b) by charging such service to a nonexistent, false, fictitious, or counterfeit account, telephone number or credit card number or to a suspended, terminated, expired, cancelled or revoked telephone number or credit card number; or

(c) by use of a code, prearranged scheme, or other similar stratagem or device whereby said person in effect sends or receives information; or

(d) by rearranging, tampering with or making connection with any facilities or equipment of a telephone or other communications company, whether physically, inductively, acoustically, or electrically, or by utilizing such service, having reason to believe that such rearrangement, connection, or tampering existed or occurred;

shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be imprisoned not exceeding one (1) year or fined not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or both, in the discretion of the court.

Historical Data

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