**§1637. False claims of membership in federally recognized tribe in the State**

**1. Prohibition.**  A person may not:

A. Knowingly claim falsely to be a member of the Mi'kmaq Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Passamaquoddy Tribe or the Penobscot Nation; [PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 369, Pt. A, §4 (REV); PL 2023, c. 369, Pt. A, §5 (AFF).]

B. Have the intent to obtain property to which the person is not entitled by making the claim under paragraph A; and [PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW).]

C. Obtain property to which the person is not entitled by making the claim under paragraph A. [PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW).]

[PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 369, Pt. A, §4 (REV); PL 2023, c. 369, Pt. A, §5 (AFF).]

**2. Penalty.**  A person that violates subsection 1 commits a civil violation for which a fine of not more than $2,500 may be adjudged.

[PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW).]

**3. Definition.**  For purposes of this section, "property" has the same meaning as set forth in Title 17‑A, section 352, subsection 1.

[PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2011, c. 583, §1 (NEW). PL 2023, c. 369, Pt. A, §4 (REV). PL 2023, c. 369, Pt. A, §5 (AFF).

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