

New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics

Reform B

This proposal would amend section 1-o of article 1-a of the Legislative Law by adding a new subdivision (e) to make it a class E felony to offer a false statement or report to the commission with the intent to defraud the state, and subject such person to a civil penalty of the greater of seventy-five thousand dollars or an amount equal to ten times the value of any compensation or benefit received as a result of the violation.

Section 1-o of article 1-a of the legislative law is amended by adding a new subdivision (e) to read as follows:

(e) Any lobbyist, public corporation, or client who, knowing that a statement or report made pursuant to this article contains false information, and with intent to defraud the state, offers or presents a statement or report to the commission with the knowledge or belief that it will be filed with, registered or recorded in or otherwise become a part of the records of the commission, shall be guilty of a class E felony, and may be subject to a penalty of the greater of seventy-five thousand dollars, or an amount equal to ten times the value of any compensation or benefit received as a result of the violation. The commission may assess such civil penalties.