

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 6 of Chapter 6 of Title 60.2 a section*
3 *numbered 60.2-636, relating to notices of penalties for fraudulent claims for unemployment*
4 *compensation benefits.*

5 [H 1707]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 6 of Chapter 6 of Title 60.2 a**
9 **section numbered 60.2-636 as follows:**

10 **§ 60.2-636. Notice of penalties for false or misleading statements.**

11 *A. The Commission shall provide to each claimant notices of the sanctions to which the claimant is*
12 *subject as a consequence of providing false or misleading statements to obtain unemployment benefits.*
13 *The notices shall, at a minimum, (i) identify the penalties and sanctions to which any person is liable as*
14 *a result of providing false or misleading statements to obtain benefits; (ii) inform the claimant that*
15 *making a false statement or representation knowing it to be false or knowingly failing to disclose a*
16 *material fact, with intent to obtain or increase any benefit or other payment under this title, is*
17 *punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor; and (iii) provide a summary of all remedies available to the*
18 *Commission to collect overpayments made to a claimant as a result of his making false or misleading*
19 *statements to obtain benefits.*

20 *B. The notices required by subsection A shall be included with the written statement advising*
21 *claimants of their benefit rights and responsibilities that is provided by the Commission to claimants*
22 *following the filing of the initial claim. In addition, the notices shall be provided to claimants at the*
23 *time of the filing of initial and weekly claims by the same medium, including telephone or the Internet,*
24 *that is used by the claimant to file his claim.*

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