## SENATE BILL NO. 79

## INTRODUCED BY FULLER, HARPER, BENGTSON, J. HAMMOND, MCCALLUM, MENAHAN, BOYLAN

## BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

## IN THE SENATE

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January 7, 1983		Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
January 17, 1983		Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
January 18, 1983		Bill printed and placed on members' deaks.
January 19, 1983		Second reading, do pass.
January 20, 1983		Considered correctly engrossed.
January 21, 1983	,	Third reading, passed. Ayes, 43; Noes, 0. Transmitted to House.
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January 22, 1983		Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
March 3, 1983		Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 4, 1983		Second reading, concurred in.
March 7, 1983		Third reading, concurred in.
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March 8, 1983 Returned to Senate. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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- (a) acquires, purchases, possesses, or uses any food stamp or coupon that he is not entitled to; or
- (b) transfers, sells, trades, gives, or otherwise disposes of any food stamp or coupon to another person not entitled to receive or use it.
- (2) A person convicted of an offense under this section shall be fined not more than \$500 or be imprisoned in the county jail for not more than 6 months, or both. A person convicted of an offense under this section, which offense is part of a common scheme or in which the value of the food stamps exceeds \$150, shall be fined not more than

1 \$50,000 or be imprisoned in the state prison for not more
2 than 10 years, or both.

3 (3) As used in this section, "food stamp or coupon"
4 means any stamp, coupon, or type of certification provided
5 for the purchase of eligible food pursuant to the Food Stamp
6 Act of 1977, 7. U.S.C. 2011 through 2029, or any similar
7 public assistance program.

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