

HOUSE BILL No. 4249

March 5, 1987, Introduced by Reps. Power, Griffin, Munsell, Mathieu, Martin, Strand, Ciaramitaro and Hunter and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, entitled

"The Michigan penal code,"

as amended, being sections 750.1 to 750.568 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding section 300a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, as
2 amended, being sections 750.1 to 750.568 of the Michigan Compiled
3 Laws, is amended by adding section 300a to read as follows:

4 SEC. 300A. (1) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY PURCHASES FOOD STAMPS
5 OTHER THAN AS AUTHORIZED BY THE FOOD STAMP ACT OF 1977, 7
6 U.S.C. 2011 TO 2029, AND THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER THAT
7 ACT, IS CRIMINALLY LIABLE AS FOLLOWS:

8 (A) IF THE TOTAL FACE VALUE OF THE FOOD STAMPS PURCHASED IS
9 NOT MORE THAN \$250.00, THE PERSON IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR,

1 PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 90 DAYS, OR A FINE
2 OF NOT MORE THAN \$700.00, OR BOTH.

3 (B) IF THE TOTAL FACE VALUE OF THE FOOD STAMPS PURCHASED IS
4 MORE THAN \$250.00 BUT NOT MORE THAN \$2,500.00, THE PERSON IS
5 GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN
6 2 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000.00, OR BOTH.

7 (C) IF THE TOTAL FACE VALUE OF THE FOOD STAMPS PURCHASED IS
8 MORE THAN \$2,500.00, THE PERSON IS GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE
9 BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 5 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT MORE
10 THAN \$10,000.00, OR BOTH.

11 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "FOOD STAMPS" MEANS THE COUPONS
12 ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THE
13 FOOD STAMP ACT OF 1977, 7 U.S.C. 2011 TO 2029.