

# SENATE BILL No. 898

October 14, 2009, Introduced by Senator WHITMER and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled  
"The Michigan penal code,"  
by amending sections 159g and 273 (MCL 750.159g and 750.273),  
section 159g as amended by 2002 PA 124.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 159g. As used in this chapter, "racketeering" means  
2       committing, attempting to commit, conspiring to commit, or aiding  
3       or abetting, soliciting, coercing, or intimidating a person to  
4       commit an offense for financial gain, involving any of the  
5       following:

6       (a) A felony violation of section 8 of the tobacco products  
7       tax act, 1993 PA 327, MCL 205.428, concerning tobacco product  
8       taxes, or section 9 of former 1947 PA 265, concerning cigarette  
9       taxes.

10       (b) A violation of section 11151(3) of the natural resources  
11       and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.11151, or

1 section 48(3) of former 1979 PA 64, concerning felonious disposal  
2 of hazardous waste.

3 (c) A felony violation of part 74 ~~or section 17766a~~ of the  
4 public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7401 to 333.7461, ~~and~~  
5 ~~333.17766a~~, concerning controlled substances. ~~or androgenic~~  
6 ~~anabolic steroids.~~

7 (d) A felony violation of section 60 of the social welfare  
8 act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.60, concerning welfare fraud.

9 (e) A violation of section 4, 5, or 7 of the medicaid false  
10 claim act, 1977 PA 72, MCL 400.604, 400.605, and 400.607,  
11 concerning medicaid fraud.

12 (f) A felony violation of section 18 of the Michigan gaming  
13 control and revenue act, ~~the Initiated Law of 1996 IL 1~~, MCL  
14 432.218, concerning the business of gaming.

15 (g) A violation of section 409 of the uniform securities act,  
16 1964 PA 265, MCL 451.809, concerning ~~securities~~ fraud.

17 (h) A violation of section 5 or 7 of 1978 PA 33, MCL 722.675  
18 and 722.677, concerning the display or dissemination of obscene  
19 matter to minors.

20 (i) A felony violation of section 72, 73, 74, 75, or 77,  
21 concerning arson.

22 (j) A violation of section 93, 94, 95, or 96, concerning bank  
23 bonds, bills, notes, and property.

24 (k) A violation of section 110 or 110a, concerning breaking  
25 and entering or home invasion.

26 (l) A violation of section 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, or 124,  
27 concerning bribery.

1 (m) A violation of section 120a, concerning jury tampering.

2 (n) A violation of section 145c, concerning child sexually  
3 abusive activity or material.

4 (o) A felony violation of section 157n, 157p, 157q, 157r,  
5 157s, 157t, or 157u, concerning credit cards or financial  
6 transaction devices.

7 (p) A felony violation of section 174, 175, 176, 180, 181, or  
8 182, concerning embezzlement.

9 (q) A felony violation of chapter XXXIII, concerning  
10 explosives and bombs.

11 (r) A violation of section 213, concerning extortion.

12 (s) A felony violation of section 218, concerning false  
13 pretenses.

14 (t) A felony violation of section 223(2), 224(1)(a), (b), or  
15 (c), 224b, 224c, 224e(1), 226, 227, 234a, 234b, or 237a, concerning  
16 firearms or dangerous weapons.

17 (u) A felony violation of chapter XLI, concerning forgery and  
18 counterfeiting.

19 (v) A violation of section 271, 272, 273, or 274, concerning  
20 securities fraud.

21 (w) A violation of section 300a, concerning food stamps or  
22 coupons or access devices.

23 (x) A violation of section 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 305a, or  
24 313, concerning gambling.

25 (y) A violation of section 316 or 317, concerning murder.

26 (z) A violation of section 330, 331, or 332, concerning horse  
27 racing.

1 (aa) A violation of section 349, 349a, or 350, concerning  
2 kidnapping.

3 (bb) A felony violation of chapter LII, concerning larceny.

4 (cc) A violation of section 411k, concerning money laundering.

5 (dd) A violation of section 422, 423, 424, or 425, concerning  
6 perjury or subornation of perjury.

7 (ee) A violation of section 452, 455, 457, 458, or 459,  
8 concerning prostitution.

9 (ff) A violation of section 529, 529a, 530, or 531, concerning  
10 robbery.

11 (gg) A felony violation of section 535, 535a, or 536a,  
12 concerning stolen, embezzled, or converted property.

13 (hh) A violation of chapter LXXXIII-A, concerning terrorism.

14 (ii) A violation of section 5 of 1984 PA 343, MCL 752.365,  
15 concerning obscenity.

16 (jj) An offense committed within this state or another state  
17 that constitutes racketeering activity as defined in section  
18 1961(1) of title 18 of the United States Code, 18 ~~U.S.C.~~ ~~USC~~ 1961.

19 (kk) An offense committed within this state or another state  
20 in violation of a law of the United States that is substantially  
21 similar to a violation listed in subdivisions (a) through (ii).

22 (ll) An offense committed in another state in violation of a  
23 statute of that state that is substantially similar to a violation  
24 listed in subdivisions (a) through (ii).

25 Sec. 273. ~~Fraudulently obtaining signature to note, etc. Any A~~  
26 ~~person who shall, by representing that he is the agent of any~~  
27 ~~person, company, firm or corporation, or by any other means,~~

1 fraudulently ~~obtain~~**OBTAINS** the signature of any person with the  
2 intent to cheat and defraud ~~such~~**THAT** person ~~, to any promissory~~  
3 ~~note, bill of exchange, due bill, order, contract or any paper~~  
4 ~~writing whatever, shall be~~**IS** guilty of **A** felony ~~, punishable by~~  
5 imprisonment ~~in the state prison~~**FOR** not more than 10 years or ~~by~~**A**  
6 fine of not more than ~~5,000 dollars~~**\$5,000.00, OR BOTH.**