PUBLIC THREAT ALERT SYSTEM ACT (EXCERPT) Act 235 of 2016

28.674 False report; violation as felony; penalty.

- Sec. 4. (1) A person shall not intentionally make a false report of a public threat, or intentionally cause a false report of a public threat to be made, to a peace officer, police agency of this state or of a local unit of government, 9-1-1 operator, or any other governmental employee or contractor or employee of a contractor who is authorized to receive the report, knowing that the report is false. A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, or both.
- (2) The court may order a person convicted under this section to pay to the state or a local unit of government and the media the costs of responding to the false report or threat, including, but not limited to, the use of police or fire emergency response vehicles and teams, under section 1f of chapter IX of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 769.1f.

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