



Housing Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 34

PART 7

SUPPLEMENTARY AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Information provisions

238 False or misleading information

- (1) A person commits an offence if—
 - (a) he supplies any information to a local housing authority in connection with any of their functions under any of Parts 1 to 4 or this Part,
 - (b) the information is false or misleading, and
 - (c) he knows that it is false or misleading or is reckless as to whether it is false or misleading.
- (2) A person commits an offence if—
 - (a) he supplies any information to another person which is false or misleading,
 - (b) he knows that it is false or misleading or is reckless as to whether it is false or misleading, and
 - (c) he knows that the information is to be used for the purpose of supplying information to a local housing authority in connection with any of their functions under any of Parts 1 to 4 or this Part.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under subsection (1) or (2) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (4) In this section “false or misleading” means false or misleading in any material respect.

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- s. 66(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 66(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(c\)](#)
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- s. 89(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 139(7A)(7B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 127\(3\)](#)