

**RCW 48.30A.015 Unlawful acts—Penalties.** (1) It is unlawful for a person:

(a) Knowing that the payment is for the referral of a claimant to a service provider, either to accept payment from a service provider or, being a service provider, to pay another; or

(b) To provide or claim or represent to have provided services to a claimant, knowing the claimant was referred in violation of (a) of this subsection.

(2) It is unlawful for a service provider to engage in a regular practice of waiving, rebating, giving, paying, or offering to waive, rebate, give, or pay all or any part of a claimant's casualty or property insurance deductible.

(3) A violation of this section constitutes trafficking in insurance claims.

(4) (a) Trafficking in insurance claims is a gross misdemeanor for a single violation.

(b) Each subsequent violation, whether alleged in the same or in subsequent prosecutions, is a class C felony. [2003 c 53 § 271; 1995 c 285 § 3.]

**Intent—Effective date—2003 c 53:** See notes following RCW 2.48.180.