

any proceeding before a special examiner, referee or the Board may be represented by counsel or other duly authorized agent; but no such agent, other than an attorney-at-law, shall either charge or accept for such services any remuneration whatever; and no such counsel shall either charge or receive for such services more than an amount approved by the Board. No person, firm or corporation shall solicit the business of appearing on behalf of persons claiming benefits or shall make it a business to solicit employment for another in connection with claims for benefits under this Article. Any person, firm or corporation who violates any provision of this sub-section shall, for each such offense, be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

#### PENALTIES.

16. (a) Whoever makes a false statement or representation knowing it to be false or knowingly fails to disclose a material fact, to obtain or increase any benefit or other payment under this Act, either for himself or for any other person, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment for not longer than ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment; and each false statement or representation or failure to disclose a material fact shall constitute a separate offense.

(b) Any employing unit or any officer or agent of an employing unit or any other person who makes a false statement or representation knowing it to be false, or who knowingly fails to disclose a material fact, to prevent or reduce the payment of benefits to any individual entitled thereto, or to avoid becoming or remaining subject hereto or to avoid or reduce any contribution or other payment required from an employing unit under this Act, or who wilfully fails or refuses to make any such contributions or other payment or to furnish any reports required hereunder or to produce or permit the inspection or copying of records as required hereunder, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00, or by imprisonment for not longer than ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment; and each such false statement or representation or failure to disclose a material fact, and each day of such failure or refusal shall constitute a separate offense.

(c) Any person who shall wilfully violate any provision of this Act or any rule or regulation thereunder, the violation of which is made unlawful or the observance of which is required under the terms of this Act, and for which a penalty is neither prescribed herein nor provided by any other applicable statute, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00, or by imprisonment for not longer than