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76-8-506 Providing false information to a law enforcement officer, government agency, or specified professional.

- (1) Terms defined in Sections 76-1-101.5, 76-8-101, and 76-8-501 apply to this section.
- (2) An actor commits providing false information to a law enforcement officer, government agency, or specified professional if:
 - (a) the actor knowingly gives or causes to be given:
 - (i) false information to a peace officer or a state or local government agency or personnel with a purpose of inducing the recipient of the information to believe that another person has committed an offense;
 - (ii) information concerning the commission of an offense to a peace officer, a state or local government agency or personnel, or to an individual licensed in this state to practice social work, psychology, or marriage and family therapy, knowing that the offense did not occur or knowing that the actor has no information relating to the offense or danger; or
 - (iii) false information to a state or local government agency or personnel with a purpose of inducing a change in the actor's licensing or certification status or the licensing or certification status of another person; or
 - (b)
 - (i) at the time of the actor's arrest for an offense, the actor states to a law enforcement officer that the actor ingested drugs before the actor's arrest;
 - (ii) the law enforcement officer, based on the actor's statement described in Subsection (2)(b)(i), takes the actor to a health care facility for medical treatment; and
 - (iii) a medical examination of the actor demonstrates that the actor's statement described in Subsection (2)(b)(i) was false.
- (3) A violation of Subsection (2) is a class B misdemeanor.

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