

21-5936. Fraudulent aircraft registration. (a) Fraudulent aircraft registration is:

- (1) Owning, possessing, or operating any aircraft in this state knowing that it is registered to a nonexistent person, firm, business or corporation or to a firm, business or corporation that is no longer a legal entity;
 - (2) knowingly supplying false information by any person to a governmental entity in regard to the name, address, business name or business address of the owner of an aircraft in or operated in the state; or
 - (3) knowingly supplying false information by any person, firm, business or corporation to any governmental entity in regard to ownership by such person, firm, business or corporation or another firm, business or corporation of an aircraft in or operated in this state if it is determined that such firm, business or corporation:
 - (A) Is not, or has never been, a legal entity in this state;
 - (B) is not, or has never been, a legal entity in any other state; or
 - (C) has lapsed into a state of no longer being a legal entity in this state, and no documented attempt has been made to correct such information with the governmental entity for a period of 90 days after the date on which such lapse took effect with the secretary of state.
- (b) Fraudulent aircraft registration is a severity level 8, nonperson felony.
- (c) This section does not apply to any aircraft registration or information supplied by a governmental entity in the course and scope of performing its lawful duties.
- (d) For the purposes of this section, a firm, business, or corporation that is no longer a legal entity includes any firm, business or corporation that has:
- (1) No physical location;
 - (2) no corporate officers; or
 - (3) lapsed into an inactive state or been dissolved by order of the secretary of state for a period of at least 90 days and during such period no documented attempt is made to either reinstate the firm, business or corporation or to register its aircraft in the name of a real person or legal entity in accordance with federal aviation administration regulations.

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