

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §61-3C-7

## **§61-3C-7. Alteration, destruction, etc., of computer equipment.**

(a) Misdemeanor offenses. -- Any person who knowingly, willfully and without authorization, directly or indirectly, tampers with, deletes, alters, damages or destroys or attempts to tamper with, delete, alter, damage or destroy any computer, computer network, computer software, computer resources, computer program or computer data or who knowingly introduces, directly or indirectly, a computer contaminant into any computer, computer program or computer network which results in a loss of value of property or computer services up to \$1,000, is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or confined in the county or regional jail not more than six months, or both.

(b) Felony offenses. -- Any person who knowingly, willfully and without authorization, directly or indirectly, damages or destroys or attempts to damage or destroy any computer, computer network, computer software, computer resources, computer program or computer data by knowingly introducing, directly or indirectly, a computer contaminant into any computer, computer program or computer network which results in a loss of value of property or computer services more than \$1,000 is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than \$200 and not more than \$10,000 or confined in a state correctional facility not more than ten years, or both, or, in the discretion of the court, be fined not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000 and confined in the county or regional jail not more than one year.