**§ 4672. Criminal penalties.** 1. A person, partnership, corporation, controlling person, or agent or employee thereof, who knowingly uses or employs any act or practice in violation of this article shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

2. Nothing under this article shall be deemed to limit the power of the state to punish any person for any conduct which also constitutes a separate crime under any other statute.

3. The council may refer such evidence as is available concerning violations of this article to the appropriate district attorney who may, with or without such reference, institute appropriate criminal proceedings.