## CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE TITLE 4. LIABILITY IN TORT

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CHAPTER 100B. LIABILITY FOR FRAUDULENT CROWDFUNDING

Sec. 100B.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "fraudulent crowdfunding" means collecting donations on behalf of a donee with the intent to keep the donations instead of giving the donations to the donee on whose behalf the donations were made.

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Sec. 100B.002. LIABILITY FOR FRAUDULENT CROWDFUNDING. A person who engages in fraudulent crowdfunding is liable to the donee on whose behalf the donations were made or the donee's estate. Added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 654 (H.B. 4281), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2025.

Sec. 100B.003. DAMAGES. (a) A court shall award a donee or donee's estate who prevails in an action brought under this chapter:

- (1) 125 percent of the amount of donations the defendant collected on behalf of the donee through the fraudulent crowdfunding; and
  - (2) reasonable and necessary attorney's fees.
- (b) Nothing in this section prevents the donee or the donee's estate from pursuing a claim for exemplary damages under Chapter 41 for the defendant's fraudulent crowdfunding.

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