311.641 Civil liability and criminal penalty for falsification or destruction of advance directive.

- (1) Any person who willfully conceals, cancels, defaces, obliterates, or damages the advance directive of another without the grantor's consent or who falsifies or forges a revocation of the advance directive of another, thereby causing life-prolonging treatment to be utilized in contravention of the previously expressed intent of the patient shall be civilly liable.
- (2) Any person who falsifies or forges the advance directive of another, or willfully conceals or withholds personal knowledge of the revocation of an advance directive, with the intent to cause a withholding or withdrawal of life-prolonging treatment, contrary to the wishes of the grantor, and thereby causes life-prolonging treatment to be withheld or withdrawn and death to be hastened, shall be guilty of a Class B felony.

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