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## Three Treutlen County Residents Charged With Insurance Fraud

**Atlanta-** Insurance Commissioner Ralph Hudgens' office issued a warrant this week for three Treutlen County residents on charges related to Insurance Fraud.

Theresa Dyer, 59, was charged with one count of insurance fraud. John David Dyer, 33, and Ronald William Dyer, 71, were each charged as parties to the crime of insurance fraud.

An investigation led by Commissioner Hudgens' Fraud division, with assistance from the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), revealed that Ms. Dyer allegedly submitted false representations of facts through a phony contract to her insurance company in order to obtain money from the filed claim. The fake contract stated that the roof of her Soperton, Georgia home was replaced and the cost of replacement paid in full. The roof replacement never occurred. Ronald Dyer signed the false roofing contract while John Dyer prepared the fraudulent document.

"Fraudulent schemes like this one cause Homeowners' premiums in Georgia to go up," Hudgens said. "I'm glad bad actors like the Dyers have been stopped."

Insurance fraud is a felony that carries a penalty of two to ten years in prison, a fine up to \$10,000, or, potentially, both.

If you suspect Insurance Fraud, please call the Georgia Department of Insurance at (404)656-2070.