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or young offenders engaged in toll fraud.

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SOME MICHIGAN CASES -- INVOLVING COLLEGE STUDENTS OR OTHER YOUNG OFFENDERS:

- * A 17-year-old youth was convicted of telephone fraud in 1971 and ordered to pay a fine, court costs and to make restitution of \$1,533.68 for placing calls to Australia which he billed to a co-op housing unit in Ann Arbor. He also was placed on three years' probation.
- * A junior engineering student attending a Michigan university was sentenced in 1972 to six months' probation, \$120 court costs and ordered to serve 72 hours of volunteer work for a non-profit organization for long distance fraud using a "blue box."
- * Three sophomore engineering students at a Michigan university were placed on six months' probation, ordered to work 72 hours for a non-profit organization and to pay fines and costs of \$120 each in a 1972 electronic fraud case.
- * Two young suburban Detroit men were placed on two years' probation in 1972 and fined \$500 and \$150 respectively by a federal district court judge for telephone fraud using a "blue box."
- * A 19-year-old girl was sentenced in 1973 to 90 days in jail, a \$100 fine and ordered to make restitution of \$259.53 to Michigan Bell for long distance fraud. She was found guilty of placing calls to a friend at a Michigan college and billing them to a Saginaw company. The judge delayed the jail sentence and fine, but placed the young woman on one year's probation.
- * An 18-year-old man was sentenced in 1973 to 60 days in jail for a felony conviction of making more than \$100 worth of calls and billing them to other telephone numbers.