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## **SELMA WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO THEFT OF PUBLIC MONEY**

Mobile, AL - Sarah Turner, 34 years old of Selma, Alabama, pled guilty today to theft of public funds. Specifically, Turner pled to receiving HUD Section 8 housing and utility subsidies over a 2 year period to which she was not entitled. As a Section 8 recipient, Turner was required to report all sources of income. She failed to report her employment at the Hyundai Plant, the Dallas County Board of Education and the Whitehall Gaming Center. Turner's income was approximately \$30,000.00 a year. Her failure to report this income resulted in her paying little or no rent during this time and cheating the United States out of approximately \$6,568.00

Turner will be sentenced by the Honorable Kristi Dubose, United States District Court Judge, on September 18, 2009. She faces a maximum 10 years incarceration followed by 3 years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000.00.

Special Agents of the HUD Office of Inspector General investigated the case and presented it to the U.S. Attorney's Office for prosecution. The prosecutor assigned to the case is Assistant United States Attorney, Gina S. Vann.