



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5500***

LCO No. 1499



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

***AN ACT REQUIRING THE SUSPENSION OF ADMINISTRATIVE  
PENALTIES IMPOSED ON CERTAIN BUSINESS ENTITIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2016, and applicable to penalties*  
2 *imposed on and after said date*) (a) For purposes of this section, "state  
3 agency" means any department, board, council, commission,  
4 institution or other executive branch agency of state government, and  
5 "business entity" means a corporation, association, partnership, limited  
6 liability company or any other similar form of business organization.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, a state  
8 agency may suspend any civil penalty assessed against any business  
9 entity for a first-time violation of any provision of a regulation of such  
10 state agency, upon the request of such business entity, if the business  
11 entity takes remedial measures which completely correct the violation  
12 not later than thirty days after the assessment of such penalty. The  
13 provisions of this section shall not apply to (1) any wilful or grossly  
14 negligent violation, (2) a violation that results in the bodily injury of

15 any person, or (3) any penalty required under any provision of federal  
16 law or regulation, including any penalty required as a condition for  
17 receiving federal funding.

18 (c) Any business entity aggrieved by the denial of a state agency to  
19 suspend a civil penalty pursuant to this section may appeal such  
20 denial in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183 of the general  
21 statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2016, and applicable to penalties imposed on and after said date</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To permit businesses to remediate first-time regulatory violations without civil penalty if such remediation is done in a timely manner.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*