



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5500

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**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SUSPENSION OF CIVIL PENALTIES
IMPOSED ON CERTAIN BUSINESS ENTITIES PURSUANT TO
REGULATIONS.**

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 the 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 violation of any provision of a regulation of such state
10 agency, upon the request of such business entity, if the business entity
11 takes remedial measures which completely correct the violation not
12 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 Legislative Commissioners:

The title was changed and in Subsec. (b), "first-time violation" was changed to "first violation" for consistency with the general statutes.

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*