State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2002

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SENATE BILL NO. 26

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce at the request of the Department of Commerce and Regulation

1	FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize a civil penalty for securities violations by
2	registered or unregistered persons or entities.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section 1. That subsection (M) of § 47-31A-204(a) be repealed.
5	(M) A civil penalty levied under subsection (a) shall not exceed ten thousand dollars
6	per violation per person. All administrative fines received shall be deposited in
7	the state general fund.
8	Section 2. That § 47-31A-408 be amended to read as follows:
9	47-31A-408. Whenever it appears to the director that any person has engaged or is about to
10	engage in any act or practice constituting a violation of any provision of this chapter, or any rule
11	or order hereunder, he may in his discretion bring either or both of the following remedies the
12	director may do one or more of the following:
13	(1) Issue a cease and desist order, with or without prior hearing, against the person or
14	persons engaged in the prohibited activities, directing them to cease and desist from
15	further illegal activities; or

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(2) Bring an action in the circuit court to enjoin the acts or practices to enforce compliance with this chapter, or any rule or order hereunder; or
(3) Impose by order and collect a civil penalty against any person found in an administrative action to have violated any provision of this chapter, or any rule or order issued under this chapter, in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars per violation per person. The director may bring actions to recover penalties pursuant to

this subdivision in district court. All administrative fines received shall be deposited

8 in the state general fund.

Upon a proper showing a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order or writ of mandamus shall be granted and a receiver or conservator may be appointed for the defendant or defendant's assets. In addition, upon a proper showing by the director, the court may enter an order of rescission, restitution or disgorgement directed to any person who has engaged in any act constituting a violation of any provision of this chapter, or any rule or order hereunder. The court may not require the director to post a bond.