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2008—Pub. L. 110-289 substituted "Director" for "Secretary" wherever appearing.

§ 4584. Enforcement and jurisdiction

(a) Enforcement

The Director may bring a civil action in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia for the enforcement of any effective notice or order issued under section 4581 or 4585 of this title. Such court shall have jurisdiction and power to order and require compliance herewith.

(b) Limitation on jurisdiction

Except as otherwise provided in this subpart, no court shall have jurisdiction to affect, by injunction or otherwise, the issuance or enforcement of any notice or order under section 4581 or 4585 of this title, or to review, modify, suspend, terminate, or set aside any such notice or order.

(Pub. L. 102-550, title XIII, §1344, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3966; Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title I, §1130(e)(1), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2711.)

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2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110–289, which directed substitution of "The Director may bring a civil action" for "The Secretary may request the Attorney General of the United States to bring a civil action", was executed by making the substitution for "The Secretary may request the Attorney General of the United States to bring an action" to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

§ 4585. Civil money penalties

(a) Authority

The Director may impose a civil money penalty, in accordance with the provisions of this section, on any enterprise that has failed to—

- (1) submit a report under section 4547¹ of this title, following a notice of such failure, an opportunity for comment by the enterprise, and a final determination by the Director;
- (2) submit the information required under subsection (m) or (n) of section 1723a of this title or subsection (e) or (f) of section 1456 of this title:
- (3) solely with respect to the housing goals established under sections 4562(a) and 4563(a)(1) of this title, submit a housing plan or perform its responsibilities under a remedial order issued pursuant to section 4566(c) of this title within the required period; or
- (4) solely with respect to the housing goals established under sections 4562(a) and 4563(a)(1) of this title, comply with a housing plan for the enterprise under section 4566(c) of this title.

(b) Amount of penalty

The amount of a penalty under this section, as determined by the Director, may not exceed—

(1) for any failure described in paragraph (1), (5), or (6) of subsection (a), \$100,000 for each day that the failure occurs; and

(2) for any failure described in paragraph (2), (3), or (4) of subsection (a), \$50,000 for each day that the failure occurs.

(c) Procedures

(1) Establishment

The Director shall establish standards and procedures governing the imposition of civil money penalties under this section. Such standards and procedures—

- (A) shall provide for the Director to notify the enterprise in writing of the determination of the Director to impose the penalty, which shall be made on the record:
- (B) shall provide for the imposition of a penalty only after the enterprise has been given an opportunity for a hearing on the record pursuant to section 4582 of this title; and
- (C) may provide for review by the Director of any determination or order, or interlocutory ruling, arising from a hearing.

(2) Factors in determining amount of penalty

In determining the amount of a penalty under this section, the Director shall give consideration to factors including—

- (A) the gravity of the offense;
- (B) any history of prior offenses;
- (C) ability to pay the penalty;
- (D) injury to the public;
- (E) benefits received;
- (F) deterrence of future violations;
- (G) the length of time that the enterprise should reasonably take to achieve the goal; and
- (H) such other factors as the Director may determine, by regulation, to be appropriate.

(d) Action to collect penalty

If an enterprise fails to comply with an order by the Director imposing a civil money penalty under this section, after the order is no longer subject to review, as provided in sections 4582 and 4583 of this title, the Director may bring an action in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia to obtain a monetary judgment against the enterprise, and such other relief as may be available. The monetary judgment may, in the court's discretion, include the attorneys' fees and other expenses incurred by the United States in connection with the action. In an action under this subsection, the validity and appropriateness of the order imposing the penalty shall not be subject to review.

(e) Settlement by Director

The Director may compromise, modify, or remit any civil money penalty which may be, or has been, imposed under this section.

(f) Deposit of penalties

The Director shall use any civil money penalties collected under this section to help fund the Housing Trust Fund established under section 4568 of this title.

(Pub. L. 102–550, title XIII, \$1345, as added Pub. L. 110–289, div. A, title I, \$1130(d)(2), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2709.)

¹ See References in Text note below.

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References in Text

Section 4547 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a)(1), was repealed by Pub. L. 110–289, div. A, title I, §1104(b), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2667.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 4585, Pub. L. 102-550, title XIII, §1345, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3966, related to civil money penalties, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title I, §1130(d)(1), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2709.

§ 4586. Public disclosure of final orders and agreements

(a) In general

The Director shall make available to the public—

- (1) any written agreement or other written statement for which a violation may be redressed by the Director or any modification to or termination thereof, unless the Director, in the Secretary's¹ discretion, determines that public disclosure would be contrary to the public interest or determines under subsection (c) that public disclosure would seriously threaten the financial health or security of the enterprise;
- (2) any order that is issued with respect to any administrative enforcement proceeding initiated by the Director under this subpart and that has become final in accordance with sections 4582 and 4583 of this title; and
- (3) any modification to or termination of any final order made public pursuant to this subsection.

(b) Hearings

All hearings with respect to any notice of charges issued by the Director shall be open to the public, unless the Director, in the Secretary's 1 discretion, determines that holding an open hearing would be contrary to the public interest

(c) Delay of public disclosure under exceptional circumstances

If the Director makes a determination in writing that the public disclosure of any final order pursuant to subsection (a) would seriously threaten the financial soundness of the enterprise, the Director may delay the public disclosure of such order for a reasonable time.

(d) Documents filed under seal in public enforcement hearings

The Director may file any document or part thereof under seal in any hearing under this subpart if the Director determines in writing that disclosure thereof would be contrary to the public interest.

(e) Retention of documents

The Director shall keep and maintain a record, for not less than 6 years, of all documents described in subsection (a) and all enforcement agreements and other supervisory actions and supporting documents issued with respect to or in connection with any enforcement proceeding initiated by the Director under this subpart.

(f) Disclosures to Congress

This section may not be construed to authorize the withholding, or to prohibit the disclosure, of any information to the Congress or any committee or subcommittee thereof.

(Pub. L. 102-550, title XIII, §1346, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3968; Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title I, §1130(e)(3)(C), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2711.)

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 $2008\mathrm{-Subsecs.}$ (a) to (e). Pub. L. $110\mathrm{-}289$ substituted "Director" for "Secretary" wherever appearing.

§ 4587. Notice of service

Any service required or authorized to be made by the Director under this subpart may be made by registered mail or in such other manner reasonably calculated to give actual notice, as the Director may by regulation or otherwise provide.

(Pub. L. 102–550, title XIII, §1347, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3968; Pub. L. 110–289, div. A, title I, §1130(e)(3)(D), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2711.)

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2008—Pub. L. 110–289 substituted "Director" for "Secretary" in two places in text.

§ 4588. Subpoena authority

(a) In general

In the course of or in connection with any administrative proceeding under this subpart, the Director shall have the authority—

- (1) to administer oaths and affirmations;
- (2) to take and preserve testimony under oath;
- (3) to issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum; and
- (4) to revoke, quash, or modify subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum issued by the Director.

(b) Witnesses and documents

The attendance of witnesses and the production of documents provided for in this section may be required from any place in any State at any designated place where such proceeding is being conducted.

(c) Enforcement

The Director may bring an action or may request the Attorney General of the United States to bring an action in the United States district court for the judicial district in which such proceeding is being conducted, or where the witness resides or conducts business, or the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, for enforcement of any subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued pursuant to this section. Such courts shall have jurisdiction and power to order and require compliance therewith.

(d) Fees and expenses

Witnesses subpoenaed under this section shall be paid the same fees and mileage that are paid

¹So in original. Probably should be "Director's".