**§9503. Penalties**

**1. Fines.**  Any person, who operates or maintains a proprietary school in violation of this chapter, or represents itself as operating and maintaining such a school, is subject to a civil penalty of not more than $5,000, payable to the State, to be recovered in a civil act.

[PL 1983, c. 841, §4 (NEW).]

**2. Enforcement actions.**  The State may bring an action in Superior Court to enjoin any person from violating this chapter, regardless of whether proceedings have been or may be instituted in the District Court or whether criminal proceedings have been or may be instituted. A violation of the provisions of this chapter or any rules adopted under this chapter is prima facie evidence of a violation of the Maine Unfair Trade Practices Act. Responsible owners, officers and employees of licensees are personally liable to any person harmed by intentional violations of this chapter or applicable rules, including violations of rules regarding refunds, for the amount of damage caused by the violation.

[PL 1997, c. 771, §4 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §78 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §80 (AFF).]

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