

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 257

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER: Provides penalties for failure to comply with certain directives issued by the commissioner of insurance

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1995(A), relative to directives of the commissioner of
3 insurance; to provide relative to consumer complaint directives; to provide
4 timeframes for compliance; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 22:1995(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1995. Departmental complaint directives; failure to comply; fines; hearing

9 A. Any person subject to the regulatory authority of the commissioner who
10 fails to comply with any directive issued by the commissioner in connection with a
11 consumer complaint may be fined ~~an amount not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars~~
12 for each occurrence. If the person fails to comply within thirty days of the date of
13 the directive, he may be fined an amount not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars. If
14 the person fails to comply within sixty days of the date of the directive, he may be
15 fined an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars. If the person fails to comply
16 within seventy-five days of the date of the directive, he may be fined an amount not
17 to exceed one thousand dollars.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides timeframes for compliance and penalties for noncompliance with consumer complaint directives issued by the commissioner of insurance.

Present law authorizes the commissioner of insurance (commissioner) to levy a fine not to exceed \$250 against any person subject to the regulatory authority of the commissioner when the person fails to comply with a commissioner-issued consumer complaint directive.

Proposed law adds a 30-day timeframe for a person to comply without penalty. Otherwise retains present law.

Proposed law further authorizes a fine not to exceed \$500 against persons who fail to comply within 60 days and a fine of \$1000 against persons who fail to comply within 75 days.

(Amends R.S. 22:1995(A))