

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

OF A WRITTEN ASSURANCE SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF ANY RIGHT OF THE OFFICE OR PROVISION OF SUCH AGREEMENT.

(D) THE OFFICE IS AUTHORIZED TO SEEK THE COOPERATION OF THE LICENSING AUTHORITIES AND CONTRACTING DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INVESTIGATION UNDER THIS CHAPTER BY THE OFFICE OF ANY PERSON LICENSED TO DO BUSINESS WITHIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY OR HAVING A CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

(E) IF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE COMPLAINT LACKS REASONABLE GROUNDS UPON WHICH TO BASE A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER, HE MAY DISMISS SUCH COMPLAINT OR ORDER SUCH FURTHER INVESTIGATION AS MAY BE NECESSARY.

(F) IF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WITH RESPECT TO A MATTER WHICH INVOLVES A VIOLATION OF SECTION 118-4, (I) FAILS TO CONCILIATE A COMPLAINT AFTER THE PARTIES HAVE, IN GOOD FAITH, ATTEMPTED SUCH CONCILIATION, OR (II) FAILS TO EFFECT AN ASSURANCE OF DISCONTINUANCE OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OR (III) DETERMINES THAT A COMPLAINT IS NOT SUSCEPTIBLE OF CONCILIATION, HE SHALL TRANSMIT THE MATTER TO THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR APPROPRIATE LEGAL ACTION.

(G) NOTHING HEREIN SHALL PREVENT ANY PERSON FROM EXERCISING ANY RIGHT OR SEEKING ANY REMEDY TO WHICH HE MIGHT OTHERWISE BE ENTITLED OR FROM FILING ANY COMPLAINT WITH ANY OTHER AGENCY, COURT OF LAW OR EQUITY.

(H) ANY WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF DISCONTINUANCE OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OR ANY CEASE AND DESIST ORDER PROVIDED FOR BY THIS ACT MAY INCLUDE STIPULATIONS OR CONDITIONS FOR THE PAYMENT BY THE VIOLATOR OF THE COSTS OF INVESTIGATION BY THE OFFICE OR ITS STAFF AND MAY ALSO INCLUDE STIPULATIONS OR CONDITIONS FOR THE RESTITUTION BY THE VIOLATOR TO CONSUMER OF MONEY, PROPERTY OR OTHER THINGS RECEIVED FROM SUCH CONSUMER IN CONNECTION WITH A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT. THE AFORESAID STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS SHALL NOT PRECLUDE THE OFFICE FROM UTILIZING ANY OTHER STIPULATION, CONDITION OR REMEDY IT DEEMS NECESSARY TO CORRECT A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.

118-8. COSTS.