

(C) NO GENERAL PARTNER LIABILITY FOR LIMITED PARTNER. A LIMITED PARTNER OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP IS NOT LIABLE AS A GENERAL PARTNER OF THE FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP SOLELY BY REASON OF THE PARTNERSHIP'S HAVING DONE BUSINESS IN THIS STATE WITHOUT REGISTRATION.

(D) DEPARTMENT AS AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS. A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, BY DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE WITHOUT REGISTRATION, APPOINTS THE DEPARTMENT AS ITS AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS WITH RESPECT TO CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING OUT OF DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE.

(E) FINES. (1) IF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP DOES ANY INTRASTATE, INTERSTATE, OR FOREIGN BUSINESS IN THIS STATE WITHOUT REGISTERING, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPOSE A PENALTY OF \$200 ON THE PARTNERSHIP. THIS PENALTY SHALL BE COLLECTED AND MAY BE REDUCED OR ABATED UNDER THE PROCEDURES OF ARTICLE 81, § 252 OF THE CODE WHICH RELATE TO THE PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO FILE REPORTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT;

(2) EACH GENERAL PARTNER OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP WHICH DOES INTRASTATE, INTERSTATE, OR FOREIGN BUSINESS IN THIS STATE WITHOUT REGISTERING, AND EACH AGENT OF THE FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP WHO TRANSACTS INTRASTATE, INTERSTATE, OR FOREIGN BUSINESS IN THIS STATE FOR IT IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000.

COMMENT

This section is new. Subsection (a) is derived from § 7-301 of this article; subsection (b) is similar to § 7-305 thereof; and subsection (e) is derived from § 7-302 thereof.

10-908. ACTION BY ATTORNEY GENERAL.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY BRING AN ACTION TO RESTRAIN A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FROM DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.

COMMENT

This section is new.

10-909. DOING BUSINESS.

(A) ACTIVITIES NOT CONSIDERED DOING BUSINESS. IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES WHICH MAY NOT CONSTITUTE DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP DO NOT CONSTITUTE DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:

(1) MAINTAINING, DEFENDING, OR SETTLING AN ACTION, SUIT, CLAIM, DISPUTE, OR ADMINISTRATIVE OR ARBITRATION PROCEEDING;

(2) HOLDING MEETINGS OF ITS PARTNERS OR CARRYING ON OTHER ACTIVITIES WHICH CONCERN ITS INTERNAL AFFAIRS;