

In subsection (a) of this section, the introductory exception is added to clarify that the Comptroller may summarily take action against an individual under certain circumstances. See SG § 10-405(b).

In subsection (b) of this section, the reference to Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article is standard language added to demonstrate clearly the intended application of that subtitle to administrative hearings under this section.

In subsection (d) of this section, the former references to the rights "to present evidence", "to cross-examine", "to present argument", and the limitation on "technical rules of evidence" are deleted as essentially repetitious of rights already provided in Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article.

As to subsection (d) of this section, the statement that the person may appear with counsel is implicit in the scheme of the procedural provisions under Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article; however, since this provision is stated explicitly in the third sentence of former Art. 56, § 70(a), it is retained in this section.

Defined term: "Comptroller" § 607

620. SAME -- PERIOD AND NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

(A) PERIOD OF SUSPENSION.

SUBJECT TO THE NOTICE REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, IF A LICENSEE VIOLATES § 618 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL SUSPEND THE LICENSE FOR A CONSECUTIVE PERIOD THAT:

(1) FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, IS NOT LESS THAN 5 NOR MORE THAN 20 BUSINESS DAYS; OR

(2) FOR A SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, IS NOT LESS THAN 20 BUSINESS DAYS NOR MORE THAN 6 MONTHS.

(B) REVOCATION.

SUBJECT TO THE NOTICE REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL REVOKE A LICENSE, IF A LICENSEE:

(1) WILLFULLY AND PERSISTENTLY VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF § 618(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE; OR

(2) VIOLATES § 618(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE.