

(2) The Department also may suspend the license of any corporation, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, partnership, or association that is found to be a contributing factor in the persistent or repeated failure to comply with the requirements under this subtitle, which failure caused the Department to bring permit revocation procedures under § 7-507(c) of this subtitle.

(3) (i) The Department shall provide a licensee with notice and an opportunity for a hearing before it may suspend a license under this subsection.

(ii) Unless stayed by the Department or by a reviewing court, any decision by the Department to suspend a license shall be effective immediately.

(d) A licensed operator shall notify the Department, on a form the Department furnishes, within 30 days of the date of any changes in officers, directors, principal owners, or resident agents. The Department shall investigate each new officer, director, principal owner, or resident agent in accordance with subsection (b) of this section. If the Department finds that any officer, director, principal owner, or resident agent is or has been an officer, director, principal owner, or resident agent of any other corporation, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, partnership, or association that has failed or continues to fail to comply with any provision of this subtitle, or has forfeited any bond posted in connection with strip-mining activity in any state, the Department shall notify the operator and require corrective action to be taken within 30 days. If the operator does not submit proof that corrective action has been taken, the Department shall suspend the operator's license. If corrective action is not taken prior to the expiration date of the license, the Department may not renew the operator's license.

7-517.1.

Whenever a corporation OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY violates any rule or regulation promulgated under § 7-503 of this subtitle, any permit issued pursuant to this subtitle, or fails to correct a violation within the time specified by a notice or order issued under § 7-507(c) or (e) of this subtitle, any officer, director or agent of the corporation OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY who willfully and knowingly authorized, ordered or carried out the violation or failure shall be subject to the penalty provisions of § 7-516(b) and § 7-517(b) and (c) of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.

Approved May 2, 1994.

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AN ACT concerning

Mining - Lands and Water - Reclamation Expenditures

FOR the purpose of altering a provision of law describing the lands and water eligible for