- (2) (i) In the course of any examination, investigation, or hearing, the Secretary of State OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE may subpoen a witnesses, administer oaths, examine an individual under oath, and compel production of records, books, papers, and other documents.
- (ii) <u>IN THE COURSE OF ANY EXAMINATION, INVESTIGATION, OR HEARING, A DESIGNEE THE LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY ADMINISTER OATHS AND EXAMINE AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER OATH.</u>
- (III) Information obtained under this subsection is not admissible in a subsequent criminal proceeding against the person who provided the information.
- (b) If the Secretary of State finds OR HAS REASONABLE GROUNDS TO BELIEVE that a charitable organization or charitable representative has violated this title, the Secretary of State may take 1 or more of the following actions:
- (1) BY METHODS OF CONFERENCE AND PERSUASION MEDIATION WITH THE APPARENT VIOLATORS AND ANY REPRESENTATIVES THEY MAY CHOOSE TO ASSIST THEM, ENTER INTO A WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF DISCONTINUANCE, WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE, OR OTHER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE APPARENT VIOLATORS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION;
- (2) summarily issue a cease and desist order to the violator, if the Secretary of State:
- (i) finds $\underline{\text{THAT THIS TITLE HAS BEEN VIOLATED AND}}$ that the public health, safety, or welfare requires emergency action; and
- (ii) gives the violator written notice of the order, the reasons for the order, and the right of the violator to request a hearing under subsection (d) of this section; or
 - [(2)](3) refer the matter to:
 - (i) the Attorney General for civil enforcement; or
 - (ii) the appropriate State's Attorney for prosecution.
- (C) A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1) MAY INCLUDE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS OR CONDITIONS:
- (1) PAYMENT BY THE APPARENT VIOLATOR OF THE COST OF THE INVESTIGATION, AND THE COST OF NEGOTIATING AND PREPARING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT:
- (2) PAYMENT BY THE APPARENT VIOLATOR OF CIVIL PENALTIES A COURT COULD ORDER UNDER THIS TITLE;
- (3) PAYMENT BY THE APPARENT VIOLATOR OF REFUNDS TO DONORS A COURT COULD ORDER UNDER THIS TITLE;