

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §33-36-6

§33-36-6. Penalties.

(a) If the commissioner believes that the controlling producer or any other person has not materially complied with this article, or any rule or order promulgated hereunder, after notice and opportunity to be heard, the commissioner may order the controlling producer to cease placing business with the controlled insurer.

(b) If it is found that because of any material noncompliance that the controlled insurer or any policyholder thereof has suffered any loss or damage, the commissioner may maintain a civil action or intervene in an action brought by or on behalf of the insurer or policyholder for recovery of compensatory damages for the benefit of the insurer or policyholder or other appropriate relief.

(c) If an order for liquidation or rehabilitation of the controlled insurer has been entered pursuant to article ten of this chapter and the receiver appointed under that order believes that the controlling producer or any other person has not materially complied with this article or any rule or order promulgated hereunder, and the insurer suffered any loss or damage therefrom, the receiver may maintain a civil action for recovery of damages or other appropriate sanctions for the benefit of the insurer.

(d) Nothing contained in this section may affect the right of the commissioner to impose any other penalties provided for in this chapter.

(e) Nothing contained in this section is intended to or may in any manner alter or affect the rights of policyholders, claimants, creditors or other third parties.