

65-28a14. Criminal and civil penalties for violations of act. (a) Any violation of the provisions of the physician assistant licensure act shall constitute a class B misdemeanor.

(b) When it appears to the board that any person is violating any of the provisions of the physician assistant licensure act, the board may bring an action in the name of the state in a court of competent jurisdiction for an injunction against such violation, without regard to whether proceedings have been or may be instituted before the board or whether criminal proceedings have been or may be instituted.

(c) The board, in addition to any other penalty prescribed under the physician assistant licensure act, may assess a civil fine, after proper notice and an opportunity to be heard, against a licensee for a violation of the physician assistant licensure act in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the first violation, \$10,000 for the second violation and \$15,000 for the third violation and for each subsequent violation. All fines assessed and collected under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.

(d) Costs assessed by the board pursuant to subsection (c) shall be considered costs in an administrative matter pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523. If the board is the unsuccessful party, the costs shall be paid from the healing arts fee fund.

(e) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the physician assistant licensure act.

(f) This section shall take effect on and after July 1, 2015.

History: L. 2014, ch. 131, § 56; May 22.