

tion 141(d) of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as a note under section 6111 of this title.

**§ 6707A. Penalty for failure to include reportable transaction information with return**

**(a) Imposition of penalty**

Any person who fails to include on any return or statement any information with respect to a reportable transaction which is required under section 6011 to be included with such return or statement shall pay a penalty in the amount determined under subsection (b).

**(b) Amount of penalty**

**(1) In general**

Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the amount of the penalty under subsection (a) with respect to any reportable transaction shall be 75 percent of the decrease in tax shown on the return as a result of such transaction (or which would have resulted from such transaction if such transaction were respected for Federal tax purposes).

**(2) Maximum penalty**

The amount of the penalty under subsection (a) with respect to any reportable transaction shall not exceed—

(A) in the case of a listed transaction, \$200,000 (\$100,000 in the case of a natural person), or

(B) in the case of any other reportable transaction, \$50,000 (\$10,000 in the case of a natural person).

**(3) Minimum penalty**

The amount of the penalty under subsection (a) with respect to any transaction shall not be less than \$10,000 (\$5,000 in the case of a natural person).

**(c) Definitions**

For purposes of this section:

**(1) Reportable transaction**

The term “reportable transaction” means any transaction with respect to which information is required to be included with a return or statement because, as determined under regulations prescribed under section 6011, such transaction is of a type which the Secretary determines as having a potential for tax avoidance or evasion.

**(2) Listed transaction**

The term “listed transaction” means a reportable transaction which is the same as, or substantially similar to, a transaction specifically identified by the Secretary as a tax avoidance transaction for purposes of section 6011.

**(d) Authority to rescind penalty**

**(1) In general**

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue may rescind all or any portion of any penalty imposed by this section with respect to any violation if—

(A) the violation is with respect to a reportable transaction other than a listed transaction, and

(B) rescinding the penalty would promote compliance with the requirements of this title and effective tax administration.

**(2) No judicial appeal**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any determination under this subsection may not be reviewed in any judicial proceeding.

**(3) Records**

If a penalty is rescinded under paragraph (1), the Commissioner shall place in the file in the Office of the Commissioner the opinion of the Commissioner with respect to the determination, including—

(A) a statement of the facts and circumstances relating to the violation,

(B) the reasons for the rescission, and

(C) the amount of the penalty rescinded.

**(e) Penalty reported to SEC**

In the case of a person—

(1) which is required to file periodic reports under section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or is required to be consolidated with another person for purposes of such reports, and

(2) which—

(A) is required to pay a penalty under this section with respect to a listed transaction,

(B) is required to pay a penalty under section 6662A with respect to any reportable transaction at a rate prescribed under section 6662A(c), or

(C) is required to pay a penalty under section 6662(h) with respect to any reportable transaction and would (but for section 6662A(e)(2)(B)) have been subject to penalty under section 6662A at a rate prescribed under section 6662A(c),

the requirement to pay such penalty shall be disclosed in such reports filed by such person for such periods as the Secretary shall specify. Failure to make a disclosure in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be treated as a failure to which the penalty under subsection (b)(2) applies.

**(f) Coordination with other penalties**

The penalty imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty imposed by this title.

(Added Pub. L. 108-357, title VIII, §811(a), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1575; amended Pub. L. 110-172, §11(a)(41), Dec. 29, 2007, 121 Stat. 2488; Pub. L. 111-240, title II, §2041(a), Sept. 27, 2010, 124 Stat. 2560.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, referred to in subsec. (e)(1), are classified to sections 78m and 78o(d), respectively, of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

AMENDMENTS

2010—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 111-240 amended subsec. (b) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (b) specified the amount of the penalty under subsec. (a), both in general and with respect to a listed transaction, in the case of a natural person or in any other case.

2007—Subsec. (e)(2)(C). Pub. L. 110-172 substituted “section 6662A(e)(2)(B)” for “section 6662A(e)(2)(C)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 111-240, title II, §2041(b), Sept. 27, 2010, 124 Stat. 2560, provided that: “The amendment made by

this section [amending this section] shall apply to penalties assessed after December 31, 2006.”

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 108-357, title VIII, §811(c), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1577, as amended by Pub. L. 109-135, title IV, §403(w), Dec. 21, 2005, 119 Stat. 2629, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [enacting this section] shall apply to returns and statements the due date for which is after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 22, 2004] and which were not filed before such date.”

## REPORT

Pub. L. 108-357, title VIII, §811(d), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1577, provided that: “The Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall annually report to the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Finance of the Senate—

“(1) a summary of the total number and aggregate amount of penalties imposed, and rescinded, under section 6707A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and

“(2) a description of each penalty rescinded under section 6707(c) of such Code and the reasons therefor.”

### § 6708. Failure to maintain lists of advisees with respect to reportable transactions

#### (a) Imposition of penalty

##### (1) In general

If any person who is required to maintain a list under section 6112(a) fails to make such list available upon written request to the Secretary in accordance with section 6112(b) within 20 business days after the date of such request, such person shall pay a penalty of \$10,000 for each day of such failure after such 20th day.

##### (2) Reasonable cause exception

No penalty shall be imposed by paragraph (1) with respect to the failure on any day if such failure is due to reasonable cause.

#### (b) Penalty in addition to other penalties

The penalty imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty provided by law.

(Added Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title I, §142(b), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 682; amended Pub. L. 99-514, title XV, §1534(a), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2750; Pub. L. 108-357, title VIII, §§815(b)(5)(A), 817(a), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1583, 1584.)

## CODIFICATION

Another section 6708 was renumbered section 6709 of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-357, §815(b)(5)(A), substituted “advisees with respect to reportable transactions” for “investors in potentially abusive tax shelters” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-357, §817(a), amended heading and text of subsec. (a) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “Any person who fails to meet any requirement imposed by section 6112 shall pay a penalty of \$50 for each person with respect to whom there is such a failure, unless it is shown that such failure is due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect. The maximum penalty imposed under this subsection for any calendar year shall not exceed \$100,000.”

1986—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-514 substituted “\$100,000” for “\$50,000”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 815(b)(5)(A) of Pub. L. 108-357 applicable to transactions with respect to which material aid, assistance, or advice referred to in section 6111(b)(1)(A)(i) of this title is provided after Oct. 22, 2004, see section 815(c) of Pub. L. 108-357, set out as a note under section 6111 of this title.

Pub. L. 108-357, title VIII, §817(b), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1584, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall apply to requests made after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 22, 2004].”

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 99-514, title XV, §1534(b), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2750, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall apply to failures occurring or continuing after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 22, 1986].”

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable to any interest which is first sold to any investor after Aug. 31, 1984, see section 142(d) of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as a note under section 6112 of this title.

### § 6709. Penalties with respect to mortgage credit certificates

#### (a) Negligence

If—

(1) any person makes a material misstatement in any verified written statement made under penalties of perjury with respect to the issuance of a mortgage credit certificate, and

(2) such misstatement is due to the negligence of such person,

such person shall pay a penalty of \$1,000 for each mortgage credit certificate with respect to which such a misstatement was made.

#### (b) Fraud

If a misstatement described in subsection (a)(1) is due to fraud on the part of the person making such misstatement, in addition to any criminal penalty, such person shall pay a penalty of \$10,000 for each mortgage credit certificate with respect to which such a misstatement is made.

#### (c) Reports

Any person required by section 25(g) to file a report with the Secretary who fails to file the report with respect to any mortgage credit certificate at the time and in the manner required by the Secretary shall pay a penalty of \$200 for such failure unless it is shown that such failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect. In the case of any report required under the second sentence of section 25(g), the aggregate amount of the penalty imposed by the preceding sentence shall not exceed \$2,000.

#### (d) Mortgage credit certificate

The term “mortgage credit certificate” has the meaning given to such term by section 25(c).

(Added Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title VI, §612(d)(1), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 912, §6708; renumbered §6709, Pub. L. 99-514, title XVIII, §1862(d)(2), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2884.)

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-514 effective, except as otherwise provided, as if included in the provisions of