UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT (EXCERPT) Act 265 of 1964

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451.812 Rules, forms, and orders; making, amending, or rescinding; classification; financial statements; publication of rules and forms; applicability of provisions imposing liability; hearing; rules.

Sec. 412. (a) The administrator may from time to time make, amend, and rescind rules, forms, and orders as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, including rules and forms governing registration statements, notice filings under section 202a or 308, applications, and reports and defining any terms, whether or not used in this act, insofar as the definitions are not inconsistent with this act. For the purpose of rules and forms, the administrator may classify securities, persons, and matters within its jurisdiction and prescribe different requirements for different classes.

- (b) A rule, form, or order may not be made, amended, or rescinded unless the administrator finds that the action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors and consistent with the purposes fairly intended by the policy and provisions of this act. In prescribing rules and forms, the administrator may cooperate with the securities administrators of the other states and the securities and exchange commission with a view to effectuating the policy of this statute to achieve maximum uniformity in the form and content of registration statements, applications, and reports wherever practicable.
- (c) The administrator may by rule or order prescribe the form and content of financial statements required under this act, the circumstances under which consolidated financial statements shall be filed, and whether any required financial statements shall be certified by independent or certified public accountants. Financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.
 - (d) Rules and forms of the administrator shall be published.
- (e) A provision of this act imposing any liability applies to any act done or omitted in good faith in conformity with any rule, form, or order of the administrator, notwithstanding that the rule, form, or order may not later be amended or rescinded or be determined by judicial or other authority to be invalid for any reason.
- (f) Every hearing in an administrative proceeding shall be public unless the administrator in its discretion grants a request joined in by all the respondents that the hearing be conducted privately.
- (g) The administrator shall promulgate rules with respect to broker-dealers and agents as necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors. The rules may require, among other things, the promulgation and issuance of a disclosure statement by the broker-dealer, the segregation of customers' funds and assets, maintenance of reserves for obligations, contingent or otherwise, to customers, the maintenance of a fidelity bond, hedging or covering obligations to customers, the signing and filing of a consent to service of process, and prior approval of advertising, limitation of the content of advertising, and margin requirements.
- (h) The rules promulgated and hearings held under this act shall be in accordance with the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

History: 1964, Act 265, Eff. Jan. 1, 1965;—Am. 1975, Act 31, Imd. Eff. May 1, 1975;—Am. 1978, Act 481, Eff. Mar. 30, 1979;—Am. 2000, Act 494, Imd. Eff. Jan. 11, 2001.

Administrative rules: R 451.601.1 et seq. and R 451.2101 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.