

# 42 U.S. Code § 1437z-1

## Civil money penalties against section 1437f owners

### (a) In general

#### (1) Effect on other remedies

The penalties set forth in this section shall be in addition to any other available civil remedy or any available criminal penalty, and may be imposed regardless of whether the Secretary imposes other administrative sanctions.

#### (2) Failure of Secretary

The Secretary may not impose penalties under this section for a violation, if a material cause of the violation is the failure of the Secretary, an agent of the Secretary, or a public housing agency to comply with an existing agreement.

# (b) Violations of housing assistance payment contracts for which penalty may be imposed

#### (1) Liable parties

The Secretary may impose a civil money penalty under this section on—

- (A) any owner of a property receiving project-based assistance under section 8 [42 U.S.C. 1437f];
- (B) any general partner of a partnership owner of that property; and
- (C) any agent employed to manage the property that has an identity of interest with the owner or the general partner of a partnership owner of the property.

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