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Amend the bill in section 1 in §2013 by striking out all of subsection 4 and inserting the following:

**4. Penalties.** The following penalties apply.

A. A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not more than \$2,500 may be adjudged.

B. A person who violates this section after having previously violated this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not more than \$5,000 may be adjudged.'

### **SUMMARY**

This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. The amendment reduces the penalty provision from \$10,000 per violation, instead specifying that a person who violates the background check requirements commits a civil violation for which a fine of not more than \$2,500 may be adjudged for a first violation and a fine of not more than \$5,000 may be adjudged for a 2nd or subsequent violation.

### **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**