

**60A.38 INTERPRETATION AND PENALTIES.**

Subdivision 1. **Sections not exclusive.** Sections 60A.35 to 60A.38 are not exclusive, and the commissioner may also consider other provisions of Minnesota law to be applicable to the circumstances or situations addressed by sections 60A.35 to 60A.38. The rights provided by sections 60A.35 to 60A.38 are in addition to and do not prejudice any other rights the policyholder may have at common law, under statute, or rules.

Subd. 2. **Penalties.** A violation of any provisions of sections 60A.35 to 60A.38 shall be deemed to be an unfair trade practice in the business of insurance and shall subject the violator to the penalties provided by sections 72A.17 to 72A.32 in addition to any other penalty provided by law.

Subd. 3. **Notices required.** All notices required by sections 60A.35 to 60A.38 shall only be made by first class mail addressed to the policyholder's last known address or by delivery to the policyholder's last known address. Notice by first class mail is effective upon deposit in the United States mail. In addition to giving notice to the policyholder, the insurer must also give notice to the agent of record, if any, in the manner specified for the policyholder.

Subd. 4. **Proof of mailing notice.** Unless otherwise specifically required, United States Postal Service proof of mailing of the notice of cancellation, reduction in the limits of liability of coverage, or nonrenewal of an insurance policy is sufficient proof the proper notice has been given.

**History:** 1987 c 337 s 26; 1990 c 475 s 1