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DIVISION 3. OBLIGATIONS [1427 - 3273.69] (Heading of Division 3 amended by Stats. 1988, Ch. 160, Sec. 14.) PART 4. OBLIGATIONS ARISING FROM PARTICULAR TRANSACTIONS [1738 - 3273.69] (Part 4 enacted 1872.) TITLE 2. CREDIT SALES [1801 - 1812.35] ( Title 2 added by Stats. 1959, Ch. 201. ) CHAPTER 1. Retail Installment Sales [1801 - 1812.20] (Chapter 1 added by Stats. 1959, Ch. 201.)

ARTICLE 12.2. Penalties [1812.6 - 1812.9] (Article 12.2 added by Stats. 1959, Ch. 201.)

1812.6. Any person who shall willfully violate any provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (Added by Stats. 1959, Ch. 201.)

1812.7. In case of failure by any person to comply with the provisions of this chapter, such person or any person who acquires a contract or installment account with knowledge of such noncompliance is barred from recovery of any finance charge or of any delinquency, collection, extension, deferral or refinance charge imposed in connection with such contract or installment account and the buyer shall have the right to recover from such person an amount equal to any of such charges paid by the buyer.

(Amended by Stats. 1970, Ch. 546.)

1812.8. Notwithstanding the provisions of this article, any failure to comply with any provision of this chapter may be corrected by the holder in accordance with the provisions of this section, provided that a willful violation may not be corrected, and a correction which will increase the amount owed by the buyer or the amount of any payment shall not be effective unless the buyer concurs in writing to the correction. If a violation is corrected by the holder in accordance with the provisions of this section, neither the seller nor the holder shall be subject to any penalty under this article. The correction shall be made by delivery to the buyer of a corrected copy of the contract within 30 days of the execution of the original contract by the buyer. Any amount improperly collected from the buyer shall be credited against the indebtedness evidenced by the contract.

(Amended by Stats. 1961, Ch. 1214.)

1812.9. In any case in which a person willfully violates any provision of this chapter in connection with the imposition, computation or disclosures of or relating to a finance charge on a consolidated total of two or more contracts under the provisions of Article 8 (commencing with Section 1808.1) of this chapter, the buyer may recover from such person an amount equal to three times the total of the finance charges and any delinquency, collection, extension, deferral or refinance charges imposed, contracted for or received on all contracts included in the consolidated total and the seller shall be barred from the recovery of any such charges.

(Amended by Stats. 1970, Ch. 546.)