

190C.21 General enforcement.

1. The department acting as a state certifying agent and on behalf of the secretary who elects to act as the state organic program's governing state official shall enforce this chapter.

2. To the extent authorized by the national organic program, the attorney general shall assist the department in enforcing this chapter. The department or the attorney general may commence legal proceedings in district court to enforce a provision of this chapter. If the attorney general assists the department under this section, the attorney general may commence the legal proceedings at the request of the department or upon the attorney general's own initiative.

3. This chapter does not require the department or attorney general to institute a proceeding for a minor violation if the department or attorney general concludes that the public interest will be best served by a suitable notice of warning in writing.

98 Acts, ch 1205, §11, 20; 2003 Acts, ch 104, §12, 21

Referred to in §190C.3, 190C.26