10D.3 Enforcement — penalties.

1. The office of attorney general or a county attorney shall enforce the provisions of this chapter.

2. A person who violates a provision of this chapter shall be subject to all of the following: *a*. The person shall be assessed a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars. Each day that a violation exists constitutes a separate offense.

b. The person shall be divested of any land held in violation of this chapter within one year after judgment. The court may determine the method of divesting an interest held by a person found to be in violation of this chapter. A financial gain realized by the person that disposes of an interest held in violation of this chapter shall be forfeited.

c. The person shall pay all court costs and fees associated with any enforcement action which shall be taxed as court costs.

3. If the attorney general is the prevailing party, the moneys required to be paid or forfeited by a person who violates a provision of this chapter shall be deposited in the general fund of the state. If the county attorney is the prevailing party, the moneys shall be deposited in the general fund of the county.

4. The courts of this state may prevent and restrain violations of this chapter through the issuance of an injunction. The attorney general or a county attorney shall institute suits on behalf of the state to prevent and restrain violations of this chapter.

5. A person who is in violation of this chapter shall not be subject to an enforcement action other than as provided in this section.

2002 Acts, ch 1028, §5, 6