167.19 Penalty.

A person who violates this chapter or a rule adopted by the department pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a simple misdemeanor. The person may be subject to a civil penalty of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than one thousand dollars for each violation. However, the state shall be precluded from bringing a criminal action against the person if the department has initiated a civil enforcement proceeding. Moneys collected in civil penalties shall be deposited into the general fund of the state.

[C97, \$5019; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, \$**2762**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, \$167.19] 2004 Acts, ch 1162, \$3