

**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](#)