

**TITLE 2: NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 3: THE ENVIRONMENT**

**§ 3331. Penalties.**

(a) The chief may issue any order to enforce provisions of this chapter. The order may require the person to do any of the following:

- (1) To cease and desist from the violation;
- (2) To take mitigating measures to correct the violation; or
- (3) To pay a civil fine of not more than \$1,000 for each violation.

(b) The chief may institute a civil action to seek any lawful remedy, including exemplary damages and contempt for failing to abide by an order, to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

(c) The chief may modify, suspend, summarily suspend, or revoke any permit issued by the Division of Environmental Quality for violation of provisions of this chapter.

(d) Any person subject to civil penalties is entitled to notice and a hearing upon written request to the chief. The chief may compromise any penalty.

(e) A person is guilty of a criminal offense if found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have knowingly and willingly committed any act prohibited by this chapter. In addition to the other penalties provided for in this chapter, a criminal violation shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$50,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

(f) Each day of continued violation is a separate offense.

**Source:** PL 6-12, § 14.

**Commission Comment:** With respect to the references to the “chief” of the Division of Environmental Quality, see Executive Order 94-3 (effective August 23, 1994), reorganizing the executive branch, changing agency names and official titles, and effecting other changes, set forth in the Commission comment to 1 CMC § 2001.