

239.80 VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES.

Subdivision 1. **Violations; enforcement actions of department; waiver.** (a) The director, or any delegated employee shall use the methods in section 239.75 to enforce sections 239.10; 239.101, subdivision 3; 239.761; 239.77; 239.79; 239.791; and 239.792.

(b) The director or any delegated employee may waive a penalty for a violation under section 239.77 or 239.791 on a retailer when ethanol or biodiesel are not available at a pipeline or refinery to meet the blending requirements of this chapter, and the terminal has had ethanol or biodiesel blended products available to the licensed distributor for 20 of the previous 30 days. The director or delegated employee shall use the reports required in section 239.754 or other available information in making a determination under this paragraph. The commissioner shall work with the commissioner of agriculture, biodiesel producers, ethanol producers, pipeline operators, and terminal operators, to ensure that biodiesel and ethanol are available for blending at pipeline and refinery terminals where diesel fuel and gasoline are sold and destined for use in Minnesota.

Subd. 2. **Penalty.** A person who fails to comply with any provision of section 239.10; 239.101, subdivision 3; 239.761; 239.77; 239.79; 239.791, subdivisions 1 to 11; or 239.792, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Subd. 3. **Nonoxygenated gasoline penalty.** A person who fails to comply with section 239.791, subdivision 12, paragraph (b), (c), or (d), is guilty of a misdemeanor.

History: 1987 c 268 art 14 s 6; 1992 c 575 s 31; 1993 c 369 s 75,76; 1996 c 354 s 12,13; 2007 c 28 s 3,4