## 231.39 PERSONS VIOLATING ACT OR ORDER; PENALTY.

Any warehouse operator or household goods warehouse operator and each person who, either individually or acting as an officer, agent, or employee of a warehouse operator or household goods warehouse operator, violates or fails to comply with any provisions of this chapter, or fails to observe, obey, or comply with any order, decision, rule, direction, or requirement or any part or portion thereof of the department made or issued under authority of this chapter or who procures, aids, or abets any warehouse operator or household goods warehouse operator in the violation of this chapter or in the failure to observe, obey, or comply with this chapter or any such order, decision, rule, direction, or requirement or any part or portion thereof in a case in which a penalty is not otherwise provided for in this chapter is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$3,000 or by imprisonment not exceeding one year or both.

Each violation of this chapter, or of any order, decision, rule, direction, or requirement of the department, or any part or portion thereof, by any warehouse operator or household goods warehouse operator is a separate and distinct offense.

In construing and enforcing the provisions of this chapter relating to penalties, the act, omission, or failure of any officer, agent, or employee of any warehouse operator or household goods warehouse operator, acting within the scope of official duties or employment, shall in each case be and be deemed to be the act, omission, or failure of such warehouse operator or household goods warehouse operator.

**History:** (5207) 1915 c 210 s 36; 1965 c 412 s 5; 1971 c 25 s 67; 1984 c 628 art 3 s 11; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1986 c 444; 1999 c 110 s 21