299F.61 PIPELINE VIOLATION; INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, JUDICIAL PROCEDURE.

Subdivision 1. **Authority.** The district courts of the state of Minnesota shall have jurisdiction, subject to the provisions of the statutes and the rules of practice and procedure of the state of Minnesota relative to civil actions in the district courts, to restrain violations of sections 299F.56 to 299F.641, including the restraint of transportation of gas or hazardous liquid or the operation of a pipeline facility, or to enforce standards established under sections 299F.56 to 299F.641 upon petition by the attorney general on behalf of the state of Minnesota. Whenever practicable, the commissioner shall give notice to any person against whom an action for injunctive relief is contemplated and afford the person an opportunity to present views, and, except in the case of a knowing and willful violation, shall afford the person reasonable opportunity to achieve compliance. However, the failure to give such notice and afford such opportunity shall not preclude the granting of appropriate relief.

Subd. 2. **Venue; service of process.** Actions under sections 299F.56 to 299F.641 shall be brought in the district in the state of Minnesota wherein the defendant's principal place of business is located, and process in such cases may be served in any other district in the state of Minnesota where the defendant may be found or of which the defendant is an inhabitant or transacts business.

History: *1969 c 988 s 6; 1986 c 444; 1987 c 353 s 18; 1989 c 244 s 13*