

PURPOSE.

(B) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL COMMENCE AND TRY ALL PROSECUTIONS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE WITH THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR THE COUNTY WHERE THE PROSECUTION IS BROUGHT.

(C) WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMENCEMENT AND TRIAL OF THE PROSECUTION, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS ALL THE POWERS AND DUTIES VESTED BY LAW IN STATE'S ATTORNEYS WITH RESPECT TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS.

(D) A PROSECUTION FOR ANY OFFENSE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE COMMENCED WITHIN FOUR YEARS AFTER THE OFFENSE IS COMMITTED.

11-2A08. COOPERATION WITH FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER STATES.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY COOPERATE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER STATES IN ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SUBTITLE.

11-2A09. CIVIL ACTIONS.

(A) (1) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL INSTITUTE PROCEEDINGS IN EQUITY TO PREVENT OR RESTRAIN VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 11-2A03 AND MAY REQUIRE ASSISTANCE FROM ANY STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR THAT PURPOSE.

(2) IN A PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER A VIOLATION HAS BEEN COMMITTED AND ENTER ANY JUDGMENT OR DECREE NECESSARY TO:

(I) REMOVE THE EFFECTS OF ANY VIOLATION IT FINDS; AND

(II) PREVENT CONTINUATION OR RENEWAL OF THE VIOLATION IN THE FUTURE.

(B) (1) THE UNITED STATES, THE STATE, AND ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ORGANIZED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE IS A PERSON HAVING STANDING TO BRING AN ACTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

(2) A PERSON INJURED BY A VIOLATION OF SECTION 11-2A03 MAY MAINTAIN AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES OR FOR AN INJUNCTION OR BOTH AGAINST ANY PERSON WHO HAS COMMITTED THE VIOLATION.

(3) IF AN INJUNCTION IS ISSUED, THE COMPLAINANT SHALL BE AWARDED COSTS AND REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES.

(4) IN AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES, IF AN INJURY DUE TO A VIOLATION OF SECTION 2A03 IS FOUND, THE PERSON INJURED SHALL BE AWARDED THREE TIMES THE AMOUNT OF ACTUAL DAMAGES WHICH RESULTS FROM THE VIOLATION, WITH COSTS AND REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES.