

IC 22-9.5-8.1

Chapter 8.1. Enforcement by the Commission

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Civil action filed by commission

Sec. 1. The commission may file a civil action for appropriate relief if the commission has reasonable cause to believe that:

- (1) a person is engaged in a pattern or practice of resistance to the full enjoyment of any right granted by this article; or
- (2) a person has been denied any right granted by this article and that denial raises an issue of general public importance.

An action under this section may be filed in a circuit or superior court located in the county in which the alleged pattern, practice, or denial occurred.

As added by P.L.1-1991, SEC.157.

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Relief by court

Sec. 2. In an action filed under section 1 of this chapter, the court may do the following:

- (1) Award preventive relief, including a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order, or other order against the person responsible for a violation of this article as necessary to assure the full enjoyment of the rights granted by this article.
- (2) Award other appropriate relief, including monetary damages, reasonable attorney's fees, and court costs.
- (3) To vindicate the public interest, assess a civil penalty against the respondent in an amount that does not exceed the following:
 - (A) Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for a first violation.
 - (B) One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for a second or subsequent violation.

As added by P.L.1-1991, SEC.157.

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Intervention by aggrieved person or party to conciliation agreement

Sec. 3. A person may intervene in an action filed under section 1 of this chapter if the person is:

- (1) an aggrieved person to the discriminatory housing practice; or
- (2) a party to a conciliation agreement concerning the discriminatory housing practice.

As added by P.L.1-1991, SEC.157.

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Enforcement of subpoena by attorney general

Sec. 4. The attorney general, on behalf of the commission or other party at whose request a subpoena is issued under this chapter, may enforce the subpoena in appropriate proceedings in the court in

which the action is filed.
As added by P.L.111-1992, SEC.8.