§ 17-1103. Persons other than the state acquire no actionable rights.

The bases for proceedings or actions resulting from the violations of the prohibitions contained in titles 1 to 11, inclusive, and title 19 of this article inure solely to and are for the benefit of the people generally of the state of New York, and it is not intended to in any way create new, or enlarge existing rights of riparian owners or others. A determination by the department or the commissioner that pollution exists or that violations of any such prohibitions have occurred or are occurring, whether or not a proceeding or action may be brought by the state, shall create by reason thereof no presumptions of law or findings of fact inuring to or for the benefit of persons other than the state.