

THE FOURTH CLASS CITY ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 215 of 1895

89.2 Violation of ordinance; sanction; designation of civil infractions; act or omission constituting crime; limitation on fine or forfeiture; penalty.

Sec. 2.

- (1) The council of a city may prescribe a sanction for the violation of an ordinance.
- (2) Consistent with any of the following statutes, the council may adopt an ordinance that designates a violation of the ordinance as a civil infraction and provides a civil fine for that violation:
 - (a) The Michigan vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, being sections 257.1 to 257.923 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (b) Act No. 235 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 257.941 to 257.943 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (c) Act No. 62 of the Public Acts of 1956, being sections 257.951 to 257.954 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- (3) The council may adopt an ordinance that designates a violation of the ordinance as a municipal civil infraction and provides a civil fine for that violation. An ordinance may not designate a violation as a municipal civil infraction if that violation may be designated as a civil infraction under subsection (2). A statute may provide that a violation of a specific type of ordinance is a municipal civil infraction whether or not the ordinance designates the violation as a municipal civil infraction.
- (4) An ordinance shall not make an act or omission a municipal civil infraction if that act or omission constitutes a crime under any of the following:
 - (a) Article 7 or section 17766a of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 333.7101 to 333.7545 and 333.17766a of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (b) The Michigan penal code, Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, being sections 750.1 to 750.568 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (c) Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, being sections 257.1 to 257.923 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (d) The Michigan liquor control act, Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1933, being sections 436.1 to 436.58 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (e) Part 801 (marine safety) of the natural resources and environmental protection act, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, being sections 324.80101 to 324.80199 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (f) The aeronautics code of the state of Michigan, Act No. 327 of the Public Acts of 1945, being sections 259.1 to 259.208 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (g) Part 821 (snowmobiles) of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, being sections 324.82101 to 324.82159 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (h) Part 811 (off-road recreation vehicles) of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, being sections 324.81101 to 324.81150 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (i) Sections 351 to 365 of the railroad code of 1993, Act No. 354 of the Public Acts of 1993, being sections 462.351 to 462.365 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - (j) Any law of this state under which the act or omission is punishable by imprisonment for more than 90 days.
- (5) For the violation of an ordinance other than an ordinance described in subsection (2) or (3), the council may prescribe a fine or forfeiture not exceeding \$500.00, unless a greater fine or forfeiture is authorized in this act, or imprisonment not exceeding 180 days, or both, in the discretion of the court, together with the costs of prosecution for each violation of the ordinance; may provide that the offender, on failing to pay a fine or forfeiture, or the costs of prosecution, may be imprisoned for a term not exceeding 180 days unless payment is made before the expiration of the term; and may direct the imprisonment to be in the county jail of the county within which the city is located or in a prison or other place of confinement in the state as provided by law.
- (6) A sanction for the violation of an ordinance shall be prescribed in the ordinance.

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