SENATE BILL No. 526

July 26, 1989, Introduced by Senator WELBORN and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Veterans.

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 246 of the Public Acts of 1945, entitled as amended

"An act to authorize township boards to adopt ordinances and regulations to secure the public health, safety and general welfare; to provide for the establishment of a township police department; to provide for policing of townships by the county sheriff; to provide for the publication of ordinances; to prescribe powers and duties of township boards; to provide penalties; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith,"

being section 41.183 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 3 of Act No. 246 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1945, being section 41.183 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 3. (1) The township board may, in -such ordinances A
- 5 TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE, provide a penalty for A violation -thereof,
- 6 of a fine not exceeding OF THAT ORDINANCE. THE PENALTY FOR A
- 7 VIOLATION OF A TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE SHALL NOT EXCEED A FINE OF

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- 1 \$500.00, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed
- 2 90 FOR 180 days, or -by- both. -such fine and imprisonment.
- 3 (2) If the township lies within a district served by 1 or
- 4 more municipal courts, -prosecutions THE PROSECUTION for -the- A
- 5 violation of -such-ordinances- A TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE shall be
- 6 instituted in -any one-of-the- A municipal -courts- COURT of the
- 7 district. -, and in such cases the THE same right to appeal to
- 8 the circuit -courts- COURT shall exist FOR THE VIOLATION OF A
- 9 TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE as -in cases-of violations of the EXISTS FOR
- 10 A VIOLATION OF state law cognizable by the municipal court. -in
- 11 which the prosecution is instituted. Fines, penalties and for-
- 12 feitures shall be A FINE, PENALTY, OR FORFEITURE FOR A VIOLATION
- 13 OF A TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE IS payable in the same manner, and to the
- 14 same fund, as fines A FINE for the violation of the laws of
- 15 the A LAW OF THIS state. Costs shall be paid and reported by
- 16 -such A municipal -courts COURT in the same manner as -is
- 17 provided for offenses under state law. -where the prosecution
- 18 is instituted in a municipal court.
- 19 (3) If the township lies within a district served by the
- 20 district court, -prosecutions A PROSECUTION for -the- A viola-
- 21 tion of -such ordinances- A TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE shall be insti-
- 22 tuted in the district court, unless the person accused of violat-
- 23 ing -such-an- THE ordinance enters a plea of guilty before a mag-
- 24 istrate or a traffic bureau as -otherwise- provided -and
- 25 authorized by law. Fines and costs imposed or assessed -in-such
- 26 an action FOR THE VIOLATION OF A TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE shall be
- 27 distributed in accordance with section 8379 of THE REVISED

- 1 JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961, Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961,
- 2 -as added, being section 600.8379 of the MICHIGAN Compiled
- 3 Laws. of 1948.-