SENATE BILL No. 888

November 10, 2005, Introduced by Senators CHERRY, BRATER, SCHAUER and GOSCHKA and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

A bill to amend 1947 PA 359, entitled

"The charter township act,"

by amending section 21 (MCL 42.21), as amended by 1999 PA 58.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 21. (1) The township board shall provide in each
 ordinance a sanction for violation of the ordinance.

3 (2) Consistent with any of the following statutes, the
4 township board may adopt an ordinance that designates a violation
5 of the ordinance as a civil infraction and provides a civil fine
6 for that violation:

7 (a) The Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to
8 257.923.

(b) 1969 PA 235, MCL 257.941 to 257.943.

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(c) 1956 PA 62, MCL 257.951 to <u>257.954</u> 257.955.

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2 (3) The township board may adopt an ordinance that designates a violation of the ordinance as a municipal civil infraction and 3 4 provides a civil fine for that violation. An ordinance shall not 5 designate a violation as a municipal civil infraction if that violation may be designated as a civil infraction under subsection 6 7 (2). A statute may provide that a violation of a specific type of ordinance is a municipal civil infraction whether or not the 8 9 ordinance designates the violation as a municipal civil infraction. (4) An ordinance shall not make an act or omission a municipal 10 11 civil infraction OR A BLIGHT VIOLATION if that act or omission 12 constitutes a crime under any of the following: 13 (a) Article 7 - or section 17766a of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7101 to 333.7545. and 333.17766a. 14 15 (b) The Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.1 to 750.568. 16 17 (c) The Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923. 18 19 (d) The Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 20 436.1101 to 436.2303. (e) Part 801 of the natural resources and environmental 21 22 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.80101 to 324.80199. 23 (f) The aeronautics code of the state of Michigan, 1945 PA 24 327, MCL 259.1 to 259.208. 25 (g) Part 821 of the natural resources and environmental 26 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.82101 to 324.82160. 27 (h) Part 811 of the natural resources and environmental

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1 protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.81101 to 324.81150.

2 (i) Sections 351 to 365 of the railroad code of 1993, 1993 PA
3 354, MCL 462.351 to 462.365.

4 (j) Any law of this state under which the act or omission is5 punishable by imprisonment for more than 93 days.

6 (5) For an ordinance not described in subsection (2) or (3), punishment for a violation of the ordinance shall not exceed a fine 7 of \$500.00 or imprisonment for 90 days, or both. However, unless 8 9 otherwise provided by law, the ordinance may provide that a 10 violation of the ordinance is punishable by imprisonment for not 11 more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both, if 12 the violation substantially corresponds to a violation of state law 13 that is a misdemeanor for which the maximum period of imprisonment 14 is 93 days.

(6) THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MAY ADOPT AN ORDINANCE THAT DESIGNATES
A VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE AS A BLIGHT VIOLATION AND PROVIDES A
CIVIL FINE AND OTHER SANCTIONS FOR THAT VIOLATION CONSISTENT WITH
SECTION 7A OF 1945 PA 246, MCL 41.187A. AN ORDINANCE SHALL NOT
DESIGNATE A VIOLATION AS A BLIGHT VIOLATION IF THAT VIOLATION MAY
BE DESIGNATED A CIVIL INFRACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (2). AN ORDINANCE
SHALL NOT DESIGNATE A VIOLATION AS BOTH A MUNICIPAL CIVIL

22 INFRACTION AND A BLIGHT VIOLATION.

(7) (6) Fines collected for the violation of the ordinances
of a charter township shall be distributed as provided in section
8379 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL
600.8379.

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Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect

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1 unless all of the following bills of the 93rd Legislature are 2 enacted into law: 3 (a) Senate Bill No. 889. 4 5 (b) Senate Bill No. 886. 6 7 (c) Senate Bill No. 887. 8