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Senate Bill 1184 (as introduced 5-5-04)

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Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

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## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Home Rule City Act to allow a city to provide in its charter for a maximum fine of \$5,000 (rather than the current \$500) for the violation of city ordinances that are not civil infractions or blight violations described in Section 4I; or for a violation that substantially corresponds to a violation of State law that is a misdemeanor for which the maximum period of imprisonment is 93 days.

Section 4l allows a city to enact ordinances consistent with the Michigan Vehicle Code; Public Act 235 of 1969 (which pertains to the control of traffic in parking areas) (Public Act 235 of 1969); Public Act 62 of 1956 (the uniform parking code). The city may designate a violation of the ordinance as a civil infraction. Section 4l also allows a city to adopt an ordinance that designates a violation as a municipal civil infraction or a blight violation.

MCL 117.4i Legislative Analyst: J.P. Finet

## FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no effect on State revenue. The bill would increase local unit revenue by an unknown amount, depending upon the number of ordinance violations and the degree that higher fines were levied on those offenses.

Fiscal Analyst: David Zin

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