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Committee Bill No. 6391

LCO No. 5870



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

***AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF
MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (10) of subsection (c) of section 7-148 of the
2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

4 (10) (A) Make all lawful regulations and ordinances in furtherance
5 of any general powers as enumerated in this section, and prescribe
6 penalties for the violation of [the same not to exceed two hundred fifty
7 dollars] such regulations and ordinances, not to exceed five hundred
8 dollars for a first violation or seven hundred fifty dollars for a second
9 or subsequent violation of the same regulation or ordinance occurring
10 on or before twelve months after the date of any prior violation, unless
11 otherwise specifically provided by the general statutes. Such
12 regulations and ordinances may be enforced by citations issued by
13 designated municipal officers or employees, provided the regulations
14 and ordinances have been designated specifically by the municipality
15 for enforcement by citation in the same manner in which they were
16 adopted and the designated municipal officers or employees issue a

17 written warning providing notice of the specific violation before
18 issuing the citation, except that no such written warning shall be
19 required for violations of a municipal ordinance regulating the
20 operation or use of a dirt bike, all-terrain vehicle or mini-motorcycle;

21 (B) Adopt a code of ethical conduct;

22 (C) Establish and maintain free legal aid bureaus;

23 (D) Perform data processing and related administrative computer
24 services for a fee for another municipality;

25 (E) Adopt the model ordinance concerning a municipal freedom of
26 information advisory board created under subsection (f) of section 1-
27 205 and establish a municipal freedom of information advisory board
28 as provided by said ordinance and said section;

29 (F) Protect the historic or architectural character of properties or
30 districts that are listed on, or under consideration for listing on, the
31 National Register of Historic Places, 16a USC 470, or the state register
32 of historic places, as defined in section 10-410.

33 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 51-164n of the general statutes is
34 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
35 *October 1, 2023*):

36 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any
37 person who is alleged to have committed (1) a violation under the
38 provisions of section 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 2-71h, 4b-13, 7-13, 7-14, 7-35 or 7-
39 41, subsection (c) of section 7-66, section 7-83, 7-147h, 7-148, as
40 amended by this act, 7-148f, 7-148o, 7-283, 7-325, 7-393, 8-12, 8-25, 8-27,
41 9-63, 9-322, 9-350, 10-185, 10-193, 10-197, 10-198, 10-230, 10-251, 10-254,
42 10a-35, 12-52, 12-54, 12-129b or 12-170aa, subdivision (3) of subsection
43 (e) of section 12-286, section 12-286a, 12-292, 12-314b or 12-326g,
44 subdivision (4) of section 12-408, subdivision (3), (5) or (6) of section
45 12-411, section 12-435c, 12-476a, 12-476b, 12-476c, 12-487, 13a-71, 13a-
46 107, 13a-113, 13a-114, 13a-115, 13a-117b, 13a-123, 13a-124, 13a-139, 13a-

47 140, 13a-143b, 13a-253, 13a-263 or 13b-39f, subsection (f) of section 13b-
48 42, section 13b-90 or 13b-100, subsection (a) of section 13b-108, section
49 13b-221 or 13b-292, subsection (a) or (b) of section 13b-324, section 13b-
50 336, 13b-337, 13b-338, 13b-410a, 13b-410b or 13b-410c, subsection (a),
51 (b) or (c) of section 13b-412, section 13b-414 or 14-4, subdivision (2) of
52 subsection (a) of section 14-12, subsection (d) of section 14-12,
53 subsection (f) of section 14-12a, subsection (a) of section 14-15a, section
54 14-16c, 14-20a or 14-27a, subsection (f) of section 14-34a, subsection (d)
55 of section 14-35, section 14-43, 14-44j, 14-49, 14-50a, 14-58 or 14-62a,
56 subsection (b) of section 14-66, section 14-66a or 14-67a, subsection (g)
57 of section 14-80, subsection (f) or (i) of section 14-80h, section 14-97a or
58 14-98, subsection (a), (b) or (d) of section 14-100a, section 14-100b, 14-
59 103a, 14-106a, 14-106c, 14-145a or 14-146, subsection (b) of section 14-
60 147, section 14-152, 14-153, 14-161 or 14-163b, subsection (f) of section
61 14-164i, section 14-213b or 14-219, subdivision (1) of section 14-223a,
62 subsection (d) of section 14-224, section 14-240, 14-250, 14-253a, 14-
63 261a, 14-262, 14-264, 14-266, 14-267a, 14-269, 14-270, 14-272b, 14-274,
64 14-275 or 14-275a, subsection (c) of section 14-275c, section 14-276,
65 subsection (a) or (b) of section 14-277, section 14-278, 14-279 or 14-280,
66 subsection (b), (e) or (h) of section 14-283, section 14-283d, 14-283e, 14-
67 283f, 14-283g, 14-291, 14-293b, 14-296aa, 14-298a, 14-300, 14-300d, 14-
68 300f, 14-319, 14-320, 14-321, 14-325a, 14-326, 14-330 or 14-332a,
69 subdivision (1), (2) or (3) of section 14-386a, section 15-15e, 15-25 or 15-
70 33, subdivision (1) of section 15-97, subsection (a) of section 15-115,
71 section 16-15, 16-16, 16-44, 16-256e, 16-278 or 16a-15, subsection (a) of
72 section 16a-21, section 16a-22, subsection (a) or (b) of section 16a-22h,
73 section 16a-106, 17a-24, 17a-145, 17a-149 or 17a-152, subsection (b) of
74 section 17a-227, section 17a-465, subsection (c) of section 17a-488,
75 section 17b-124, 17b-131, 17b-137, 19a-33, 19a-39 or 19a-87, subsection
76 (b) of section 19a-87a, section 19a-91, 19a-102a, 19a-102b, 19a-105, 19a-
77 107, 19a-113, 19a-215, 19a-216a, 19a-219, 19a-222, 19a-224, 19a-286, 19a-
78 287, 19a-297, 19a-301, 19a-309, 19a-335, 19a-336, 19a-338, 19a-339, 19a-
79 340, 19a-425, 19a-442, 19a-502, 19a-565, 20-7a, 20-14, 20-153a, 20-158, 20-
80 231, 20-233, 20-249, 20-257, 20-265, 20-324e, 20-329c or 20-329g,
81 subsection (b) of section 20-334, section 20-341l, 20-366, 20-482, 20-597,

82 20-608, 20-610, 20-623, 21-1, 21-38, 21-39, 21-43, 21-47, 21-48 or 21-63,
83 subsection (d) of section 21-71, section 21-76a or 21-100, subsection (c)
84 of section 21a-2, subdivision (1) of section 21a-19, section 21a-20 or 21a-
85 21, subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 21a-25, section 21a-26 or
86 21a-30, subsection (a) of section 21a-37, section 21a-46, 21a-61, 21a-63,
87 21a-70b or 21a-77, subsection (b) or (c) of section 21a-79, section 21a-85
88 or 21a-154, subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 21a-159, section
89 21a-278b, subsection (c), (d) or (e) of section 21a-279a, section 21a-
90 421eee, 21a-421fff, 21a-421hhh, subsection (a) of section 21a-430,
91 section 22-12b, 22-13, 22-14, 22-15, 22-16, 22-26g, 22-30, 22-34, 22-35, 22-
92 36, 22-38, 22-39, 22-39f, 22-49, 22-54, 22-61j or 22-61l, subdivision (1) of
93 subsection (n) of section 22-61l, subsection (f) of section 22-61m,
94 subdivision (1) of subsection (f) of section 22-61m, section 22-84, 22-89,
95 22-90, 22-96, 22-98, 22-99, 22-100 or 22-111o, subsection (d) of section
96 22-118l, section 22-167, subsection (c) of section 22-277, section 22-278,
97 22-279, 22-280a, 22-318a, 22-320h, 22-324a or 22-326, subsection (b),
98 subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (e) or subsection (g) of section 22-
99 344, subsection (a) or (b) of section 22-344b, section 22-344c, subsection
100 (d) of section 22-344d, section 22-344f, 22-350a, 22-354, 22-359, 22-366,
101 22-391, 22-413, 22-414, 22-415, 22-415c, 22a-66a or 22a-246, subsection
102 (a) of section 22a-250, section 22a-256g, subsection (e) of section 22a-
103 256h, section 22a-363 or 22a-381d, subsections (c) and (d) of section
104 22a-381e, section 22a-449, 22a-450, 22a-461, 23-4b, 23-38, 23-45, 23-46 or
105 23-61b, subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 23-
106 65, section 25-37 or 25-40, subsection (a) of section 25-43, section 25-
107 43d, 25-135, 26-18, 26-19, 26-21, 26-31, 26-40, 26-40a, 26-42, 26-43, 26-49,
108 26-54, 26-55, 26-56, 26-58 or 26-59, subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of
109 section 26-61, section 26-64, subdivision (1) of section 26-76, section 26-
110 79, 26-87, 26-89, 26-91, 26-94, 26-97, 26-98, 26-104, 26-105, 26-107, 26-
111 114a, 26-117, subsection (b) of section 26-127, 26-128, 26-128a, 26-131,
112 26-132, 26-138, 26-139 or 26-141, subdivision (1) of section 26-186,
113 section 26-207, 26-215, 26-217 or 26-224a, subdivision (1) of section 26-
114 226, section 26-227, 26-230, 26-231, 26-232, 26-244, 26-257a, 26-260, 26-
115 276, 26-280, 26-284, 26-285, 26-286, 26-287, 26-288, 26-290, 26-291a, 26-
116 292, 26-294, 27-107, 28-13, 29-6a, 29-16, 29-17, 29-25, 29-143o, 29-143z or

117 29-156a, subsection (b), (d), (e), (g) or (h) of section 29-161q, section 29-
118 161y or 29-161z, subdivision (1) of section 29-198, section 29-210, 29-243
119 or 29-277, subsection (c) of section 29-291c, section 29-316 or 29-318,
120 subsection (b) of section 29-335a, section 29-381, 30-19f, 30-48a or 30-
121 86a, subsection (b) of section 30-89, subsection (c) or (d) of section 30-
122 117, section 31-3, 31-10, 31-11, 31-12, 31-13, 31-14, 31-15, 31-16, 31-18,
123 31-23, 31-24, 31-25, 31-32, 31-36, 31-38, 31-40, 31-44, 31-47 or 31-48,
124 subsection (b) of section 31-48b, section 31-51, 31-51g, 31-52, 31-52a, 31-
125 53 or 31-54, subsection (a) or (c) of section 31-69, section 31-70, 31-74,
126 31-75, 31-76, 31-76a, 31-89b or 31-134, subsection (i) of section 31-273,
127 section 31-288, 31-348, 33-624, 33-1017, 34-13d or 34-412, subdivision (1)
128 of section 35-20, subsection (a) of section 36a-57, subsection (b) of
129 section 36a-665, section 36a-699, 36a-739, 36a-787, 38a-2 or 38a-140,
130 subsection (a) or (b) of section 38a-278, section 38a-479qq, 38a-479rr,
131 38a-506, 38a-548, 38a-626, 38a-680, 38a-713, 38a-733, 38a-764, 38a-786,
132 38a-828, 38a-829, 38a-885, 42-133hh, 42-230, 42-470 or 42-480,
133 subsection (a) or (c) of section 43-16q, section 45a-283, 45a-450, 45a-634
134 or 45a-658, subdivision (13) or (14) of section 46a-54, section 46a-59,
135 46a-81b, 46b-22, 46b-24, 46b-34, 46b-38d, 47-34a, 47-47 or 47-53,
136 subsection (i) of section 47a-21, subdivision (1) of subsection (k) of
137 section 47a-21, section 49-2a, 49-8a, 49-16, 52-143 or 52-289, subsection
138 (j) of section 52-362, section 53-133, 53-199, 53-212a, 53-249a, 53-252, 53-
139 264, 53-280, 53-290a, 53-302a, 53-303e, 53-311a, 53-314, 53-321, 53-322,
140 53-323 or 53-331, subsection (b) of section 53-343a, section 53-344,
141 subsection (b) or (c) of section 53-344b, subsection (b) of section 53-
142 345a, section 53-377, 53-422 or 53-450 or subsection (i) of section 54-36a,
143 or (2) a violation under the provisions of chapter 268, or (3) a violation
144 of any regulation adopted in accordance with the provisions of section
145 12-484, 12-487 or 13b-410, or (4) a violation of any ordinance,
146 regulation or bylaw of any town, city or borough, except violations of
147 building codes and the health code, for which the penalty exceeds
148 ninety dollars but does not exceed [two] seven hundred fifty dollars,
149 unless such town, city or borough has established a payment and
150 hearing procedure for such violation pursuant to section 7-152c, shall
151 follow the procedures set forth in this section.

152 Sec. 3. Subsection (b) of section 51-164p of the general statutes is
153 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
154 *October 1, 2023*):

155 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of any special act, local law or
156 the general statutes, any violation of any ordinance, regulation or
157 bylaw of any town, city or borough, except violations of building codes
158 and the health code, for which the penalty exceeds ninety dollars but
159 does not exceed [two] seven hundred fifty dollars shall be a violation
160 as provided for in sections 51-164m and 51-164n, as amended by this
161 act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	7-148(c)(10)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	51-164n(b)
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	51-164p(b)

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