# 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY <br> State of Illinois 2003 and 2004 

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

65 ILCS 5/1-2-1 from Ch. 24, par. 1-2-1

Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Prohibits a municipality from imposing fines against any person for any ordinance violations in an amount exceeding 3 times the amount originally imposed for any one of those ordinance violations. Effective immediately.

FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

AN ACT concerning municipalities.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by adding Section 1-2-1 as follows:
(65 ILCS 5/1-2-1) (from Ch. 24, par. 1-2-1)
Sec. 1-2-1. The corporate authorities of each municipality may pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities, with such fines or penalties as may be deemed proper. No fine or penalty, however, except civil penalties provided for failure to make returns or to pay any taxes levied by the municipality shall exceed $\$ 750$ and no imprisonment authorized in Section 1-2-9 for failure to pay any fine, penalty or cost shall exceed 6 months for one offense.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no municipality may impose fines against any person for any ordinance violations in an amount exceeding 3 times the amount originally imposed for any one of those ordinance violations.

A penalty imposed for violation of an ordinance may include, or consist of, a requirement that the defendant perform some reasonable public service work such as but not limited to the picking up of litter in public parks or along public highways or the maintenance of public facilities.
(Source: P.A. 89-63, eff. 6-30-95.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.

