

HCS SB 1002 -- MUNICIPAL ZONING VIOLATION REMEDIES

SPONSOR: Justus (Curls)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 11 to 0.

Currently, the penalties for zoning violations for municipalities in Jackson County are between \$10 and \$500 for each day of the violation for the first offense, between \$250 and \$1,000 for each day of the violation for the second and subsequent offenses, imprisonment for 10 days for each violation, or both the fine and imprisonment. This substitute changes the jurisdiction for these penalty ranges to any city with more than 300,000 inhabitants and eliminates the separate penalty for a willful violation.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2009, FY 2010, and FY 2011.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill makes two conflicting statutes consistent and provides some administrative cleanup.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Justus.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.