

PENALTY

§ 157.999 PENALTY.

- (A) In addition to any other means or methods of enforcement of this chapter by public officers or the county, any person who violates any term of §§ 157.375 through 157.384 shall be guilty of a petty offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500, with each week the violation remains uncorrected constituting a separate offense.

(Prior Code, 7 TCC 1-22(k))

- (B) (1) Failure to comply with any of the requirements of this chapter shall be considered a petty offense and any person, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$500 for each offense. Each week the violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.
- (2) The owner or tenant of any building, structure, premises, or part thereof, who commits, participates in, assists in, or maintains such violations may be found guilty of a separate offense and subject to the penalties in division (B)(1) above.
- (3) The county may also take other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

(Prior Code, 7 TCC 1-36(a))

- (C) (1) Any building or structure which is erected, constructed, reconstructed, converted, or maintained, or any building, structure, or land is used is in violation of this chapter, the proper authorities of the county, may institute any appropriate action or proceedings in the circuit court to prevent such unlawful erection, construction, reconstruction, conversion, maintenance, or use to restrain, correct, or abate such violation, to prevent the occupancy of said building, structure, or land or to prevent any illegal act, conduct, business, or use in or about such premises.
- (2) Any costs or expenses reasonably incurred by the county pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be a debt to the county by the owner, tenant, or persons in control of a premises upon which such violation existed, and shall constitute a lien on such property.

(Prior Code, 7 TCC 1-36(b))