The governing body of a municipality may adopt ordinances or resolutions not inconsistent with the laws of New Mexico for the purpose of:

A. effecting or discharging the powers and duties conferred by law upon the municipality;

B. providing for the safety, preserving the health, promoting the prosperity and improving the morals, order, comfort and convenience of the municipality and its inhabitants; and

C. enforcing obedience to the ordinances by prosecution in the municipal court and metropolitan courts and upon conviction the imposition of:

(1) except for those violations of ordinances described in Paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, a fine of not more than five hundred dollars ($500) or imprisonment for not more than ninety days or both;

(2) for a violation of an ordinance prohibiting driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, a fine of not more than one thousand dollars
($1,000) or imprisonment for not more than three hundred sixty-four days or both; and

(3) for violations of an industrial user wastewater pretreatment ordinance as required by the United States environmental protection agency, a fine of not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000) a day for each violation.

Credits

L. 1965, Ch. 300; L. 1967, Ch. 146, § 5; L. 1987, Ch. 92, § 1; L. 1989, Ch. 234, § 1; L. 1990, Ch. 100, § 1; L. 1990, Ch. 113, § 1; L. 1993, Ch. 66, § 1.

Formerly 1953 Comp., § 14-16-1.

NMSA 1978, § 3-17-1, NM ST § 3-17-1
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