

TITLE 10: LOCAL LAWS
DIVISION 3: THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT (SAIPAN, ETC.)

§ 30513. Penalties.

The Administrator shall issue a warning notice to any violator of this Act sixty (60) days except residential property owners shall have ninety (90) days before any penalties are imposed.* When a warning is issued and is not acted upon, penalties shall begin to accrue. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense. All fines and penalties collected pursuant to this Chapter shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Finance for deposit in a separate “Property Maintenance Revolving Fund” account within the Department of Finance. This fund shall be available for use by the Commonwealth Zoning Office without further appropriation. The Administrator shall be the expenditure authority for the Property Maintenance Revolving Fund. The Administrator shall submit to the Legislature a report of all fiscal year expenditures made under the Property Maintenance Revolving Fund no later than 30 days after the close of each fiscal year. Provided further, that the Administrator may waive any penalties in cases where the owner is reasonably determined to be indigent or unable to comply with this Chapter due to circumstances that excuse or justify the lack of compliance in the reasonable discretion of the Administrator. Furthermore, the Zoning Office shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate this Chapter to include the establishment of all fines and penalties.

* So in original.

Source: SLL 20-25 § 2 (June 14, 2018), modified.

Commission Comment: The Commission made no modifications to the leading sentence, but for purposes of conformity with other sections the Commission would have changed “Act” to “Chapter”; “sixty (60)” to “60”; and “ninety (90)” to “90” pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(g). The Commission changed “thirty (30)” to “30” and inserted a comma after “Provided further” pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(g).