

**REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 236 of 1961**

**600.8313 Prosecution of violations; exception.**

Sec. 8313.

(1) A violation of state criminal law shall be prosecuted in the district court by the prosecuting attorney. A violation of an ordinance of a political subdivision that is a misdemeanor or that is not designated as a civil infraction shall be prosecuted in the district court by the attorney for the political subdivision whose ordinance was violated. If the violation is a civil infraction, the prosecuting attorney or attorney for the political subdivision shall appear in court only in those civil infraction actions that are contested before a judge of the district court in a formal hearing as provided in any of the following, as applicable:

(a) Section 8721.

(b) Section 8821.

(c) Section 747 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.747.

(2) This section does not apply to an ordinance violation designated a blight violation by a political subdivision that establishes an administrative hearings bureau pursuant to statute to adjudicate and impose sanctions for blight violations.

**History:** Add. 1968, Act 154, Imd. Eff. June 17, 1968 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 511, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979 ;-- Am. 1994, Act 12, Eff. May 1, 1994 ;-- Am. 1995, Act 54, Eff. Jan. 1, 1996 ;-- Am. 2003, Act 319, Imd. Eff. Jan. 12, 2004