

CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE _____
Council Bill 12-0171

Introduced by: Councilmembers Clarke, Henry, Kraft, Stokes, Curran, Middleton, Holton,
Mosby, Reisinger, President Young, Councilmembers Welch, Branch, Scott, Spector
Introduced and read first time: December 3, 2012
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee
Committee Report: Favorable with amendments
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: March 11, 2013

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

~~Environmental and Civil Citations – Burglar Alarm Registration~~

Burglar Alarms – Registration and Regulation – False Alarms

FOR the purpose of expressly stating that the failure to pay a false-alarm fee or attendant late fee imposed by the Police Commissioner is a violation of law; setting the amount of the fine collectable through environmental and civil citations for failure to pay a false alarm fee; clarifying, correcting, and conforming related provisions; and generally relating to environmental and civil citations for burglar alarm violations.

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 19 - Police Ordinances

Section(s) 8-8(a)(1)

Baltimore City Code

(Edition 2000)

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Article 1 - Mayor, City Council, and Municipal Agencies

Section(s) 40-14(e)(3) and 41-14(2)

Baltimore City Code

(Edition 2000)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

Baltimore City Code

Article 19. Police Ordinances

Subtitle 8. Burglar Alarms - Registration and Regulation

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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1 **§ 8-8. False alarm fees.**

2 (a) *User responsible.*

3 (1) The user of an alarm system is responsible for payment to the City of the false alarm
4 fees imposed under this section. FAILURE TO PAY A FALSE ALARM FEE OR ATTENDANT
5 LATE FEE WITHIN 60 DAYS OF IMPOSITION IS A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.

6 **Article 1. Mayor, City Council, and Municipal Agencies**

7 **Subtitle 40. Environmental Control Board**

8 **§ 40-14. Violations to which subtitle applies.**

9 (e) *Provisions and penalties enumerated.*

10 (3) **Article 19. Police Ordinances**

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12 [§ 8-18. Burglar alarms: Penalties] SUBTITLE 8. BURGLAR ALARMS - REGISTRATION
13 AND REGULATION

14	§ 8-8. FALSE ALARM FEES.	
15	FAILURE TO PAY-	
16	RESIDENTIAL USERS	\$100
17	NON-RESIDENTIAL USERS	\$500
18	ALL OTHER PROVISIONS.	
19	Users	\$100
20	Contractors, Monitors, Others	\$500

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22 **Subtitle 41. Civil Citations**

23 **§ 41-14. Offenses to which subtitle applies – Listing.**

24 (2) **Article 19. Police Ordinances**

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5 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
6 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
7 Ordinance.

8 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
9 after the date it is enacted.

Certified as duly passed this _____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,
this _____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City