Legislation Text

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## AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SOUND WARNING SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

The City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, hereby declares that the installation of sound warning devices for the protection of lives and property in the City of Jonesboro from natural disaster or any other cause is immediately essential. The City Council further finds that in times of emergencies which may involve the safety of the inhabitants of the city, or their property, it becomes necessary to pace into operation sound warning devices. The City Council finds, therefore, that the installation, operation and maintenance of a sound warning system are necessary.

Now, therefore, be it ordained and enacted by the City Council of the City of Jonesboro. Arkansas:

(1) The City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, shall have installed a sound warning system to be utilized for the purpose of warning the citizens of Jonesboro of conditions caused by nature or other causes which indicate the probability of an ensuing disaster.

(2) This ordinance is an exercise by the City of its governmental functions for the protection of the public peace, health and safety and the City of Jonesboro, the agents and representatives of said city, or any individual, receiver, firm, partnership, corporation, association or trustee or any of the agents thereof in good faith carrying out, complying with or attempting to comply with, any order, any rule or regulation pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance shall not be liable for any damages sustained to persons or property as a result of said activity.

(3) Any unauthorized person who shall operate a siren or other device so as to simulate said warning system, or to obstruct, hinder, destroy, mutilate any equipment utilized in the sound warning system of the City of Jonesboro, shall be deemed guilty of violation of this ordinance and shall be subject upon conviction thereof to a fine of not more than \$100.00 or thirty (30) days in jail, or both.

(4) The Mayor, with the approval of the City Council, shall make whatever operational plans and appoint and designate whatever person or persons necessary for the implementation of the requirements of this ordinance.

(5) If any portion of this ordinance shall, for any reason, be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof.

(6) The immediate passage of this ordinance is deemed essential to the public health, safety and welfare, and it shall take effects immediately.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1973.