

# Ordinance No. 1414

**AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain subsection (b) of Section 22-4 of Article I of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which subsection (b) relates to WHEN EXEMPTIONS APPLICABLE, which Section 22-4 relates to EXEMPTIONS TO AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES, which Article I relates to IN GENERAL, and which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That subsection (b) of Section 22-4 of Article I of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

(b) These exemptions, hereinbefore granted to such a moving vehicle, shall apply only when the operator of such vehicle displays a flashing, blinking or alternating red light and sounds a siren bell, exhaust whistle, or air horn designed to give automatically intermittent signals, as may be reasonably necessary, and only when there is in force and effect for such vehicle standard automobile liability insurance covering injury or death to any person in the sum of at least fifty thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to the limit for one person, to a limit of three hundred thousand dollars because of bodily injury or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and to a limit of five thousand dollars because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident. Such exemptions shall not, however, protect the operator of any such vehicle from criminal prosecution for conduct constituting reckless disregard of the safety of persons and property. Nothing in this section shall be construed to release the operator of any such vehicle from civil liability for failure to use reasonable care in such operation.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The Clerk of the Council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

FRANK E. MANN  
Mayor

Final Passage: Dec. 13, 1966