

ORDINANCE NO. 2716

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 2, Title 13 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding a new Article E; which Title 13 relates to MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES, which Chapter 2 relates to WEAPONS and which new Article E relates to AMMUNITION.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Title 13 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding a new Article E to read as follows:

ARTICLE E

Ammunition.

Sec. 13-2-76. Definition.

For the purpose of this article, the term "restricted handgun ammunition" shall mean any cartridge designed primarily for use in a handgun containing a bullet that is coated with or contains in whole or in part teflon such as the KTW type, or is known commercially as "French Arcane." Nothing contained in this article shall pertain to ammunition from which the propellant has been removed or the primer has been permanently deactivated.

Sec. 13-2-77. Unlawful conduct.

It shall be unlawful for any person within the city to possess, manufacture or sell restricted handgun ammunition; provided, however, that nothing contained in this article shall prohibit the sale to, purchase by or possession of any ammunition by the military or naval forces of the commonwealth or of the United States for use in the discharge of their official duties.

Sec. 13-2-78. Regulations.

The city manager shall establish regulations for the testing and evaluation of suspected, restricted handgun ammunition, and fees therefor; shall maintain a public record of the ammunition so evaluated; and shall provide a mechanism by which all restricted handgun ammunition may be turned in to city authorities.

Sec. 13-2-79. Penalties.

Any person violating any provision of this article shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding six (6) months. In addition to any penalty, the court may require any person convicted of violating the provisions of this article to give bond

for one (1) year to assure compliance with the provisions of this article. In addition to any other remedy provided herein or in place thereof, failure to comply with any provisions of this article may be enjoined by an appropriate proceeding instituted in a court of competent jurisdiction by the city attorney.

Section 2. That the title of and an informal memorandum explaining this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published 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 city clerk shall have the full text of this ordinance printed in sufficient numbers to supply copies to meet request. The city clerk 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.

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR.
Mayor

Final Passage: September 28, 1982