

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 2 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, by adding to Article III thereof a new section numbered 2-49.1 and by adding to Article IV thereof a new section numbered 2-51.1; which Chapter 2 relates to ADMINISTRATION, which Article III relates to FIRE DEPARTMENT, which new section numbered 2-49.1 relates to PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS FOR FIREMEN, which Article IV relates to POLICE and which new section 2-51.1 relates to PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS FOR POLICEMEN.

WHEREAS, recent amendments to the Code of Virginia declare that impairment of health of policemen and firemen in certain instances shall be presumed to have arisen out of and in the course of employment unless the contrary be shown by competent evidence; provided that prior to making any claim based upon such presumption such policeman and fireman shall have been found free from certain diseases by a physical examination.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Article III, Chapter 2 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new section numbered 2-49.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 2-49.1. Physical examinations for firemen.

Every fireman in the service of the fire department of the City of Alexandria, Virginia and every fireman entering upon service hereafter shall receive a physical examination from a physician duly licensed by the Commonwealth of Virginia, as required by Sections 27-40.1 and 27-40.1:1 of The Code of Virginia (1950), as amended. Such physical examination shall be prescribed by the director of public health and shall include appropriate laboratory and other diagnostic studies relating to respiratory diseases, hypertension and heart disease. All such physical examinations required by said sections of the State Code performed from August 1, 1973 to the date of passage of this ordinance are hereby ratified and affirmed as satisfying the requirement of this ordinance.

Section 2. That Article IV, Chapter 2 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new section numbered 2-51.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 2-51.1 Physical examinations for policemen.

Every policeman in the service of the police department of the City of Alexandria, Virginia and every policeman entering upon service hereafter shall receive a physical examination by a physician duly licensed by the Commonwealth of Virginia. Such physical examination shall be prescribed by the director of public health and shall include appropriate laboratory and other diagnostic studies relating to hypertension and heart disease.

Section 3. That 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 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.

Charles E. Beatley, Jr.
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: SEPTEMBER 25, 1973