

# Ordinance No. 882

**AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 34 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, by adding thereto a new article numbered Article IV, which Chapter 34 relates to WEAPONS, which new Article IV relates to SWITCH-BLADE KNIVES, prohibits their sale to minors, and prescribes penalties for violations.**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 34 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new article numbered Article IV to read as follows:

## ARTICLE IV. SWITCH-BLADE KNIVES

### Sec. 34-23.1. SALE OF SWITCH-BLADES TO MINORS PROHIBITED

It shall be unlawful for any person in the City to sell, offer for sale, lend, rent or otherwise transfer to any person under the age of 18 years, any knife or knives with a switch-blade, spring-blade, or device whereby the blade or blades can be opened by a flick of a button, pressure on the handle, or other mechanical device.

### Sec. 34-23.2. SAME—PENALTY FOR VIOLATION

Any person violating the provisions of Sec. 34-23.1 shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

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.

LEROY S. BENDHEIM  
Mayor

Final Passage: December 13, 1955