

## Ordinance No. 938

**AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 17-51, Article II, Chapter 17 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, which Section 17-51 relates to DETECTIVES, WATCHMEN AND DETECTIVE AGENCIES, which Article II relates to REGULATORY LICENSES, and which Chapter 17 relates to LICENSES GENERALLY.**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 17-51, Article II, Chapter 17 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

### SEC. 17-51 DETECTIVE AGENCIES, DETECTIVES AND WATCHMEN

Every agency or person furnishing detectives, watchmen, or detective or watchmen services for compensation shall pay for the privilege an annual license tax of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) where not more than two persons are employed and Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for each additional person employed in excess of two.

Every person engaged in detective work and not employed by an agency or person licensed above, shall pay for the privilege an annual license tax of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), but for the purpose of this section, a person performing the service of a watchman only, shall not be construed to be engaged in detective work and a person employed only to keep a business or the merchandise of a business under surveillance to prevent theft, shall not be construed to be engaged in detective work.

Special policemen or their employers shall not be exempt from any tax required by this section.

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 January 1, 1957.

LEROY S. BENDHEIM  
Mayor

Final Passage: December 18, 1956