ORDINANCE NO. 12640

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Mayor Joan Wagonon relating to the Housing Code, amending City of Topeka Code § 82-158, Means of ingress and egress and specifically repealing said original section.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS:

Section 1. City of Topeka Code § 82-158, Means of ingress and egress, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Means of ingress and egress.

(a) Ingress to or egress from each dwelling unit shall be provided without passing through any other dwelling or dwelling unit.

(b) Every dwelling unit shall have two means of approved egress, one of which shall be a doorway with minimum head room of six feet six inches and leading to open space at ground level, the second of which may be a doorway or window. If the second means of egress is a window, it shall have an inside measurement of 24 inches by 22 inches and five square feet overall or a smoke detector permanently wired to the house electrical system may be installed in the area leading to the sleeping area.

(c) Each door which is required by (b) herein shall be equipped with safe, functioning hardware, including but not limited to hinges and doorknobs.

Section 2. Original City of Topeka Code § 82-158 is hereby specifically repealed.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication in the official city newspaper.