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ORDINANCE NO. 17648

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Mayor Joan Wagonon relating to the Housing Code, specifically providing for an administrative penalty for uncorrected housing code violations.

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

Section 1. Topeka City Code, Chapter 82, Housing Code is amended by the addition of the following language:

There shall be an administrative penalty assessed for each day a housing code violation(s) continues after the expiration of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of service or publication of the notice and order. The administrative penalty shall be in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100.00) per day and shall continue daily until the housing code violation(s) is corrected.

If the owner of the structure is financially unable to make the corrections noted in the notice and order, the owner may request demolition of the structure at City expense. If the City demolishes the structure, the notice and order shall be cancelled. If the owner of the structure is financially unable to make corrections noted in the notice and order the owner may, if eligible, make use of available housing programs for rehabilitation of the structure. If the owner utilizes available housing programs, then the notice and order shall be cancelled.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication in the official city newspaper.
PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council February 13, 2001

Joan Wagnon, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
DATE: 2/12/2001 BY
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