ORDINANCE NO. 17293

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Mayor Felker relating to the licensing of taxicabs, amending City of Topeka Code § 154-66, and specifically repealing said original section.

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

Section 1. That City of Topeka Code § 154-66, Condition of taxicabs; inspections; certificate of approval, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Condition of taxicabs; inspections; certificate of approval.

(a) Every taxicab shall at all times be kept in a clean and sanitary condition, shall be properly heated in the winter, shall be maintained in good repair and safe operating condition and shall be equipped with sufficient nonglare headlights and proper rear lights.

(b) No taxicab shall be operated unless it is currently registered with the State of Kansas; bears a state license duty issued; and no such taxicab shall be operated unless it is equipped with proper seat belts, brakes, lights, tires, horn, muffler, rear vision mirror and windshield wiper in good condition. Each taxicab shall be inspected at an official state inspection station at least once every calendar year and before being placed in service. If a certificate of rejection is issued, the taxicab shall be removed from service and it shall be unlawful to operate such taxicab until such time as a certificate of approval is issued for it. A certificate of approval shall be posted conspicuously within the taxicab. The taxicab business licensee shall maintain a record of all vehicle inspections at its central office, showing date and result of inspections.

Section 2. That City of Topeka Code § 154-66, Condition of taxicabs; inspections; certificate of approval, is hereby specifically repealed.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.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council FEB 12 2002

Harry Felker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Iris E. Walker, City Clerk

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