

Submitted by: Chairman of the Assembly at the  
Request of the Mayor  
Prepared by: Department of Law  
For Reading: October 16, 2001

*See AO 01-175(S)*



ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AO NO. 2001-175

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.30  
TO ADD A DEFINITION FOR FALSE INFORMATION TO INCLUDE TERRORISTIC  
THREATS AND RELATED CRIMES, INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR  
PROVIDING CERTAIN KINDS OF FALSE INFORMATION AND DELETING  
SECTION 8.30.060.

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS

Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 8.30 is hereby amended to read as  
follows:

8.30.050 False information [REPORTS].

A It is unlawful for any person to:

1 report to any police officer, district attorney, prosecutor, assistant  
district attorney, or other official of any public law enforcement or  
prosecution agency that a felony or misdemeanor has been or will be  
committed, knowing such report to be false.

2 knowingly give false information to any public servant

a with the intent of implicating another in an offense; or

b. concerning the person's identity while the person is

1. under arrest, detention, or investigation for a crime; or

11 being served with an arrest warrant or being issued a  
citation.

3. knowingly register, make, render, report or give false information to  
any public servant that an incident dangerous to life or property

calling for an immediate or emergency police, fire, or other public safety response has occurred or is about to occur.

4. knowingly register, make, render or report any false information to any person that a circumstance dangerous to human life or safety exists or is about to exist which

1. places a person in fear of physical injury to any person;

2. causes evacuation of a building; or

3. causes serious public inconvenience.

B. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly register, make, render, or report any false alarm, report or complaint to any public servant. [TO EITHER THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, KNOWING SUCH A REPORT TO BE FALSE.]

C. False information in this section means any untrue information delivered by any means, including but not limited to, telephone, cellular phone, email, fax, mail, radio, television, or written or oral communication.

D.[C.] Sentencing. Violation of subsection A. shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both such fine and imprisonment. Violation of [THIS] subsection B. shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both such fine and imprisonment.

E. Costs. Responding agencies may recover the actual, reasonable costs of responding to false information from the person or persons convicted under this section.

(AO No. 98-59(S), § 1, 5-19-98)

Section 2. Anchorage Municipal Code section 8.30.060 is hereby repealed:

8.30.060 [FALSE BOMB REPORT.]

[A. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO KNOWINGLY MAKE A FALSE REPORT THAT A BOMB OR OTHER EXPLOSIVE HAS BEEN PLACED OR SECRETED IN ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PLACE.]

[B. VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION SHALL, UPON CONVICTION, BE  
PUNISHED BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000.00 OR  
IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN SIX MONTHS, OR BOTH  
SUCH FINE AND IMPRISONMENT.]

(AO No. 98-59(S), § 1, 5-19-98)

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this            day of  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Municipal Clerk