

An Ordinance regulating the use of oil burners for domestic purposes, providing certain regulations for their installation and operation, exempting them from the provisions of Ordinance No. 29891, and providing a penalty for violation thereof, and declaring an emergency.

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Section 2. Upon the receipt of such application, accompanied by a working sample of the burner sought to be approved, investigation under working conditions shall be made to determine its safety, by a committee composed of three (3) persons appointed by the Mayor, one of whom shall be the Fire Marshal. Such committee shall thereupon proceed to make such tests as to it may seem desirable, reporting its findings to the Council, which shall thereupon approve or disapprove the application.

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Section 5. It is expressly understood that Ordinance No. 29891, regulating the storage and burning of fuel oil, shall not be applicable to installations permitted by this ordinance, and that systems allowed hereunder shall be exempted from the provisions of the said ordinance.

Section 6. Any person or persons, firm, company or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction in the Municipal Court, be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or by imprisonment in the City jail not exceeding ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 7. Inasmuch as this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace and safety of the City of Portland in this: That the use of kerosene oil burners for domestic purposes and the regulation of their installation should be regulated; therefore an emergency is hereby declared and this ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council, February 23, 1916.

H. R. ALBEE
Mayor of The City of Portland.

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G. L. Garber
Auditor of the City of Portland.

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