ordinance no. 79764

An Ordinance amending section 20-6311 of the license and business code (Ordinance No. 76398) so as to make more definite provision for taking and filing photographs and to provide for numbering each taxicab driver and having the number posted in the cab with other information, repealing subdivision (i) of Sec. 20-6321, and declaring an emergency.

The City of Portland does ordain as follows:

Section 1. It appearing to the Council that certain changes should be made as herein provided with reference to sections 20-6311 and 20-6321 of the license and business code (Ordinance No. 76398) so that taxicab drivers may be identified by numbers to be posted in the cabs driven by them; now, therefore, section 20-6311 of said code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 20-6311. DRIVERS TO OBTAIN PERMIT: PROVIS-IONS THEREFOR. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a taxicab in the City of Portland without first obtaining a <u>driver's</u> permit therefor from the motor bus inspector, <u>Bureau of Police</u>, who is authorized by the City of Portland to examine chauffeurs. The person applying for such permit shall make and sign a written application of a size and form to be provided by said inspector, whereupon the inspector shall examine the applicant concerning his knowledge of the traffic regulations in force in the City of Portland, his ability and judgment in the operating of a taxicab. If the inspector approve his examination he shall assign to the applicant a number, whereupon the applicant shall pay a fee of 25g and present himself to the record division of said Bureau which shall take his photograph, on which shall be entered the number assigned by the inspector and the name of the applicant, and then the inspector shall issue the permit. The photograph shall be kept on record in the record division for identification purposes. The inspector shall issue permits only to drivers whom he finds competent. Any person aggrieved by the decision of the motor bus inspector may appeal to the Council by filing with the City Auditor within five days after such decision (notice of which shall be promptly mailed to the applicant in the event of a denial of a permit) a written notice of appeal, delivering to the motor bus inspector a copy thereof, whereupon the Auditor shall forthwith place such appeal on the calendar of the Council to be heard in the regular course of Council business. The Auditor shall send to the appellant and to the motor bus

inspector a notice of the time when the appeal will be considered by the Council. It shall be the duty of said inspector to be present, state the reasons why such permit was denied and present to the Council such facts or argument as may tend to support such denial. The appellant shall have the right to appear personally and by counsel if desired and present such facts and other data as may tend to support his appeal. The action of the Council upon the appeal shall be final. All permits is-sued to drivers or chauffeurs for taxicabs shall expire on December 31 of each year and must be renewed for the following year. A new examination, photographing and the fee may be omitted in the discretion of the inspector, after the first examination if no complaint shall have been made against such driver. Said inspector shall keep a record of complaints against any driver concerning his care or lack of care in driving and concerning his fair treatment of passengers or lack of fair treatment. It shall be unlawful for any owner of a taxicab to cause or permit the same to be operated on any street in the City of Portland by any person who does not have a permit as herein provided and it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a taxicab on any street in the City of Portland without having a card posted in a conspicuous place in said cab stating the driver's permit number in figures at least 1-1/2 inches high and 3/4 inch wide.

Section 2. Subdivision (i) of section 20-6321 of said code is hereby repealed.

Section 3. Inasmuch as this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace and safety of the City of Portland in this: the provisions herein contained should become effective without unnecessary delay; therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council MAR 30 1944

Mayor of the City of Portland

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Attest:

Auditor pro tem of the City of Portland

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