

LASER BEAM POINTER DEVICES

WHEREAS, laser beam pointer devices are being used by individuals in such a manner as to harass, annoy and potentially cause bodily harm to those receiving contact with the laser beam; and

WHEREAS, the laser beam pointer devices carry a warning that said laser can cause retinal damage from contact with the eye; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has received numerous complaints from individuals who have been exposed to unwanted laser beam contact, which interferes with their peace and good order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Members of Council that the Code of the Borough is hereby amended as follows:

Violations and penalties

Any person or association or persons convicted of a violation of any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction of any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or ninety (90) days imprisonment in the County jail or for a period of community service not exceeding ninety (90) days, or any combination of the three.

Laser Beam Devices

It shall be unlawful for any person to focus, point or shine a laser beam directly or indirectly upon another person or animal in such a manner as to unreasonably cause harassment or annoyance to said person or animal.

All ordinances or parts of ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance, to the extent of such inconsistencies only, be and the same are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication as law.

This is a sample ordinance. We suggest that it be modified, as appropriate, to fit the needs of your borough. We also suggest that all proposed ordinances be reviewed by your solicitor. Although these are samples of ordinances which have been adopted by other municipalities, the Association cannot assume responsibility for ensuring their legality. We are pleased to provide this service free of charge to our members. If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us: **PENNSYLVANIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF BOROUGHES**, 2941 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. 717-236-9526.