

HAMPTON TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE #2023-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO ADD NEW CHAPTER 67, ENTITLED “LIABILITY INSURANCE, BUSINESS AND RENTAL UNIT OWNERS”

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:10A-1, et seq., authorizes the governing body of every municipality to make, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances to require business owners and rental unit owners to maintain certain minimum levels of liability insurance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hampton in the County of Sussex, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Code of the Township of Hampton is amended to add new Chapter 67, entitled “Liability Insurance, Business and Rental Unit Owners” which shall read as follows:

§ 67-1 Liability insurance, negligent acts, omission; business owners, rental unit, units owner.

- A. Except as provided in Paragraph B hereof, the owner of a business or the owner of a rental unit or units shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and omissions in an amount of no less than \$500,000 for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any once accident or occurrence.
- B. The owner of a multifamily home which is four or fewer units, one of which is owner-occupied, shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and omissions in an amount no less than \$300,000 for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

§ 67-2 Annual registration required; administrative fee

- A. The owner of a business, owner of a rental unit or units, and the owner of a multifamily home of four or fewer units, one of which is owner occupied, shall annually register the certificate of insurance with the Township Clerk.
- B. At the time of the filing of the certificate of insurance, an annual fee shall be paid to the Township Clerk in the amount of \$75.

§ 67-3 Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the penalties provided for in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Section 1-14.1.

- B. The Township may collect, through a summary proceeding pursuant to NJSA 2A:58-10, et seq., a fine of not less than \$500, but no more than \$5,000, against an owner who fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage according to law.

NOTICE

ORDINANCE 2023-01

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance #2023-01 was adopted at Final Reading at the regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hampton, County of Sussex held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at the Hampton Township Municipal Building, Baleville, N.J.

Kathleen Armstrong, RMC
Township Clerk