

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 5 – ANIMALS AND FOWL, SECTION 5-57. OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF MEMPHIS TO RAISE THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEES FOR FERTILE DOGS WEIGHING TWENTY-NINE POUNDS OR LESS AND WAIVING THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR STERILE DOGS

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council desires to protect the citizens and pets of Memphis from the dangers of overpopulation of dogs, the overcrowding of the Memphis Animal Shelter and prevalence of dogs that are abused and abandoned by encouraging owners to spay or neuter their pets.

NOW, THEREFORE,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, that **Section 5-57. Dog license tags required; fees; exceptions; cat rabies vaccination required.** (a) (1) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Memphis, be hereby amended to read as follows:

(1) For each fertile dog weighing twenty-nine (29) pounds or less..... \$35.00

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that **Section 5-57. Dog license tags required; fees; exceptions; cat rabies vaccination required.** (a) (2) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Memphis, *be hereby deleted.*

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby severable. If any of these sections, provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or parts are held unconstitutional or void, the remainder of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, that this ordinance shall take effect on the later of: after it is passed by the Council, signed by the Chairman of the Council, certified and delivered to the Office of the Mayor in writing by the comptroller and become effective as otherwise provided by law.

SHEA FLINN
Council Member

HAROLD COLLINS
Council Chairman

Attest:
Patrice Thomas, Comptroller