

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

NINETEENTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. O-11-52 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Brad Winter

1 ORDINANCE

2 AMENDING THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE FIRE CODE ORDINANCE O-2005-
3 034 CHAPTER 9 SECTION 903.2.1.2 THAT REQUIRES EXISTING A-2
4 ASSEMBLY OCCUPANCIES WITH A FIRE AREA EXCEEDING 5,000 SQUARE
5 FEET, OR WITH AN OCCUPANT LOAD EXCEEDING 300 PERSONS, OR WITH A
6 FIRE AREA LOCATED ON A FLOOR OTHER THAN THE LEVEL OF EXIT
7 DISCHARGE, TO INSTALL A FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM AND REQUIRED
8 ALARM SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING SUCH EXISTING A-2 OCCUPANCIES
9 ADDITIONAL TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF PLANS AND INSTALLATION OF
10 SUCH SYSTEMS.

11 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
12 ALBUQUERQUE:

13 SECTION 1. Chapter 9 Section 903.2.1.2 is amended to read as follows:

14 “Group A-2. An automatic sprinkler system and required alarm system shall
15 be provided for all Group A-2 occupancies where one of the following
16 conditions exists:

- 17 1. The fire area exceeds 5,000 square feet (464.5m²);
- 18 2. The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more; or
- 19 3. The fire area is located on a floor other than the level of exit
20 discharge.

21 By July 28, 2011, all owners of buildings that fall within the scope of these
22 requirements shall have fire sprinkler plans submitted to the Fire Marshal’s
23 Office Plans Review Section for review and approval. By July 28, 2012, every
24 building falling within the scope of these requirements shall be in compliance,
25 unless such building undergoes a repair, alteration or remodel of more than 50

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1 percent of the aggregate square footage of the building or submits for an
2 increase in the posted occupant load prior to the compliance date.”

3 SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence,
4 clause, word or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or
5 unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not
6 affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Council
7 hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section,
8 paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any
9 provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

10 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five days
11 after publication by title and general summary.

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