

ORDINANCE NO. 375

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE DEFRAUDING OF AN INNKEEPER AND OTHER PERSONS TO BE A CRIME; PROVIDING FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF VIOLATIONS THEREOF; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO.

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Any person who shall obtain food, lodging, or other accommodation at any hotel, inn, lodging, boarding, rooming, or eating house, furnished apartment house, furnished bungalow court, or furnished auto camp, without paying therefor, with intent to defraud the owner or keeper thereof, is deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Proof that lodging, food, or other accommodations were obtained by false pretense, or by false or fictitious show or pretense of any baggage or other property, or that the person refused or neglected to pay for such food, lodging, or other accommodations, or that he gave in payment for such food, lodging, or other accommodation negotiable paper on which payment was refused, or that he absconded without paying, or offering to pay for such food, lodging, or other accommodations, or that he surreptitiously removed or attempted to remove his baggage, shall be prima facie evidence of the fraudulent intent mentioned herein.

Section 2. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or by imprisonment in the City Jail not to exceed six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. The provisions of this ordinance shall be severable, and if any of said provisions, or the application thereof to any person, body or circumstances, shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of this ordinance, or the application of such provision to persons, bodies or circumstances other than those as to which it shall have been held invalid or unconstitutional, shall not be affected thereby. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Commissioners that this ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision, or the application thereof to persons, bodies or circumstances as to which it shall have been held invalid and unconstitutional, not been included therein.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its publication, as in the next section provided, and final passage.

Section 6. The City Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas shall cause this ordinance to be published once a week for two successive weeks immediately following its first reading and adoption, in the Las Vegas Evening Review Journal, a daily newspaper published in the City of Las Vegas.

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