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Amending Chapter 39 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to Smoke Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Alarms in Certain Buildings.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1

Chapter 39 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Chapter 39. - Smoke ~~Detectors~~ Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Alarms in Certain Buildings

Sec. 39.01. - Installation required.

Smoke ~~detectors~~ alarms and carbon monoxide alarms shall be maintained in dwellings, lodginghouses, apartment houses and hotels as required by ~~Laws of~~ Minnesota ~~for 1977, Chapter 333~~ statutes 299F.362 and 299F.51, in accordance with the rules promulgated thereunder. In new construction, smoke ~~detectors~~ alarms shall be attached to a centralized AC primary electrical power source. Carbon monoxide alarms are allowed to be battery operated, plug-in, or attached to a centralized AC electrical power source.

Sec. 39.02. - Owner's responsibilities.

(a) The owner of a lodginghouse, apartment house, hotel or rented dwelling shall deliver to the occupant of each dwelling unit or guest room a written explanation of the location and operation of each smoke ~~detector~~ alarm and carbon monoxide alarm, and instructions describing the actions to be taken when an alarm sounds and the procedures for testing the ~~detectors~~ alarms and for contacting the owner or his representative when a low-battery tone sounds or power light fails.

(b) The owner of a lodginghouse, apartment house, hotel or rented dwelling shall maintain all required smoke ~~detectors~~ alarms and carbon monoxide alarms and shall repair or replace, within twenty-four (24) hours after notification, any ~~detector~~ alarm that is defective or nonoperative.

(c) The owner of property requiring smoke ~~detectors~~ alarms and carbon monoxide alarms and requiring a certificate of occupancy shall file with each application for renewal of a certificate of occupancy an affidavit stating that all ~~detectors~~ alarms are inspected and serviced when needed and are operational.

Sec. 39.03. - Occupant's responsibilities.

The occupant of a dwelling unit or guest room in a lodginghouse, apartment house, hotel or rented dwelling shall notify the owner or his representative when a low-battery tone sounds or a power light fails on any smoke ~~detector~~ alarm or carbon monoxide alarm located in such dwelling unit or guest room.

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SECTION 2

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days following its passage, approval and publication.

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