

ORDINANCE NO. 321 a

Introduced by Commissioner Henry Willemier

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE LOCKING OR CONFINING OF CHILDREN IN AUTOMOBILES, STAGES, COACHES, BUSSES OR OTHER VEHICLES OR PLACES UPON THE STREETS, ALLEYS OR WAYS OF THE CITY OF WARRENTON, OREGON, AND IMPOSING PENALTIES THEREFOR.

WHEREAS some persons have been following the inhumane practice of locking their children in automobiles, stages, coaches, buses or other vehicles or places upon the streets, alleys or ways of the City of Warrenton, Oregon, for long periods of time while they go to midnight shows and other shows or dances, while they go to fairs and other places and while they do their shopping and perform other missions, and such children suffer from the great heat or cold and discomfort thereby, and it is the duty of the City of Warrenton to endeavor to stop such practice,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WARRENTON, OREGON DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. From and after the effective date of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any person, parent, guardian, committee or other persons in charge of, or who has under his control or guidance any minor child under twelve years of age, to at any time lock or confine, or suffer to be locked or confined, or leave unattended, such child in any automobile, stage, coach, bus or other vehicle or place upon the streets, alleys or ways of, or within, the City of Warrenton, Oregon for a period of time longer than thirty minutes.

It shall be lawful and the duty of any policeman or other peace officer of the City of Warrenton, the State of Oregon, or Clatsop County, finding a child or children confined in violation of the terms of this ordinance, to enter such automobile, stage, coach, bus or other vehicle, and remove such child, such officer having the right, if necessary, to break the doors or windows of such vehicle in order to save the life of such child, or save it from great mental or physical suffering.

Section 2. Any one convicted of any of the terms or provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by fine of not more than \$100.00, or confined in the city jail not more than 50 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Police Judge.

Passed by the Commission of the City of Warrenton this 18th day of May, 1953.

Approved by the Mayor of the City of Warrenton this 18th day of May, 1953.

H. C. Gramson
Mayor

ATTEST:

J. R. Baldwin
Auditor and Police Judge

R.C.W. 9.91.060 Leaving children unattended in parked automobile. Every person having the care and custody, whether temporary or permanent, of minor children under the age of twelve years, who shall leave such children in a parked automobile unattended by an adult while such person enters a tavern or other premises where vinous, spirituous or malt liquors are dispensed for consumption on the premises shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor. (1951 c 270 Par. 17.)