



## Legislation Text

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**Repeal of Police Residency Requirement** - For the purpose of repealing the requirement that sworn employees of the Police Department reside within a thirty-mile road radius from the City line.

### CITY COUNCIL OF THE City of Annapolis

#### Ordinance 13-14

Introduced by: Mayor Pantelides

Referred to  
Rules and City Government  
Public Safety

**A ORDINANCE** concerning

#### **Repeal of Police Residency Requirement**

**FOR** the purpose of repealing the requirement that sworn employees of the Police Department reside within a thirty-mile road radius from the City line.

**BY** repealing the following sections from the Code of the City of Annapolis, 2013 Edition  
Section 3.24.050

**WHEREAS,** Section 3.24.050 has not been actively enforced in decades; and

**WHEREAS,** O-42-12 Amended, adopted on February 11, 2013 removed the residency requirement for Department Directors; and

**WHEREAS,** removing Section 3.24.050 will aid in sworn personnel recruitment and retention; and

**WHEREAS,** sworn employees of the Police Department are strongly encouraged to live in or near the City of Annapolis and, by doing so, this creates a force multiplier effect.

**SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

#### **CHAPTER 3.34 - CONDUCT AND QUALIFICATIONS**

##### **~~3.24.050 Police residency requirement.~~**

The sworn employees of the Police Department shall reside within a thirty-road-mile radius of the City line. Any members residing beyond this radius as of the effective date of the ordinance from which this section derives may continue to do so; provided, that if a member sells or moves from his or her house, compliance with this

~~section shall be made immediately.~~

**SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

**EXPLANATION**

CAPITAL LETTERS indicate matter added to existing law.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments.