

AN ORDINANCE amending Chapter 82, Article III, Pool and Billiards Halls, Section 14-81, Presence of Minors, of the Joplin City Code, by repealing Section 82-141 of the Joplin City Code, Presence of Minors, and enacting a new Section 82-141 in lieu thereof.

WHEREAS, Section 14-81 was originally enacted in 1977 and has become inconsistent with the current state law, RSMo § 318.090, dealing with the presence of minors in pool and billiards hall; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the presence of minors ordinance in the Joplin City Code so that it is consistent with current Missouri law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 14-81 of the Joplin City Code, Presence of Minors, is hereby repealed, and a new Section 14-81, Presence of Minors, is enacted in lieu thereof, to read as follows:

"Section 14-81. Presence of Minors.

1. No licensed keeper of any pool or billiards table and all similar tables upon which balls or cues are used shall allow any person under the age of sixteen years to play on any such table without first having obtained the permission of such person's parent or guardian.

2. No licensed keeper of any pool or billiards table and all similar tables upon which balls or cues are used, who serves alcoholic beverages or intoxicating wines and liquors in the establishment where the table is found, shall allow any person under the age of twenty-one years to play upon such table; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to establishments where such tables are separate from the location where alcoholic beverages are served.

3. Any person who violates this section is guilty of an infraction for each violation, and shall face penalty or punishment in accordance with Section 1-5 of the Code."

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this 16th day of June, 2008.

Gary L. Shaw, Mayor

ATTEST: Barbara L. Hogelin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Brian W. Head, City Attorney