

ORDINANCE

Year - 2007 Number -72-

Repealing Section 705.30 - Dealers in Firearms and Ammunition; Fee; Records and Reports of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Portsmouth.

Whereas, Codified Ordinance Section 705.30 provides that all dealers in firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons shall be licensed and pay a licensing fee annually. The section also requires licensed firearm dealers to keep a record of each firearm sale and to deliver a copy to the Chief of Police; and

Whereas, recently the Ohio General Assembly enacted House Bill 347, which recognizes the need for uniform laws throughout the State of Ohio regarding the regulation of firearm purchases and sales. The new law does not apply to zoning ordinances that regulate the commercial sale of firearms in areas zoned for residential or agricultural uses, nor does it apply to zoning ordinance that specify the hours of operation or the geographic areas where the commercial sale of firearms may occur; and

Whereas, after consultation with the Chief of Police, it is felt that Section 705.30 is no longer needed, and should be repealed. Now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Portsmouth, Ohio:

SECTION I. That Section 705.30 - Dealers in Firearms and Ammunition; Fee; Records and Reports of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Portsmouth is hereby repealed.

SECTION II. This Ordinance directing administrative action as provided for in Section 12 of the Charter of the City of Portsmouth, Ohio shall be in force and effect from and after its passage.

Passed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007.

Attest:

John Lee  
City Clerk

Howard Bingham  
President of Council