

City of Providence

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CHAPTER 2013-28

NO. 328

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3,
"ADVERTISING," SECTION 3-6, "PENALTIES"**

EFFECTIVE ~~APPROVED~~ July 29, 2013

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

SECTION 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Chapter 3, "Advertising," is hereby amended to add subsection (c) to Section 3-6, "Penalties," as follows:

Sec. 3-4. - Posting, affixing, bills, posters, signs, notices to structures.

No person shall post or otherwise affix, nor cause to be posted or affixed, any bill, poster, or notice upon any tree, fence, post, pole or Rhode Island Public Transit Authority Bus Shelters, or other structures within or upon the occupation line of any street or highway; and, no person shall paint, print, mark, or cause to be painted, printed or marked, any sign, notice or advertisement upon any tree, fence, board, post, pole or Rhode Island Public Transit Authority Bus Shelter or other structure within or upon the occupation line of any street or highway. This section shall be enforced by the Providence Police Department. The director of public works or his or her designee is empowered to remove any materials that constitute a violation of this section.

Sec. 3-5. - Erection, display of bills, posters, signs, notices on highway.

No person shall erect, place or display any sign, notice or advertisement, within or upon the occupation line of any street or highway, except as permitted by the building code and zoning ordinance. This section shall be enforced by the Providence Police Department. The director of public works or his or her designee is empowered to remove any materials that constitute a violation of this section.

Sec. 3-6. - Penalties

(a) Any person or business violating any provision of Sections 3-4 or 3-5 shall be fined as follows:

First offense – up to seventy-five dollars (\$75.00)

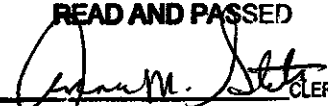
Second offense – up to one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00)

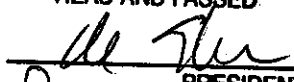
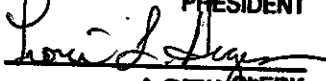
Third and any subsequent offenses – up to three hundred dollars (\$300.00)


(b) Any person who violates any provision of Sections 3-4 or 3-5 may, on application to and approval by a judge of the municipal court, in lieu of paying such fine, perform public service reasonably related to the violation as the judge deems appropriate.

(c) Any entity who knows or has reason to know that its name, insignia or contact information appears on any bill, poster, or notice in violation of Sections 3-4 or 3-5 may be held jointly and severally liable with those who post, affix or cause to be posted or affixed any bill, poster or notice in violation of Sections 3-4 or 3-5.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

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Effective without the
Mayor's Signature

Anna M. Stetson
City Clerk