

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 167

Approved March 13, 1986

RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council  
endorses passage, at the 1986 Session of the  
General Assembly, of "An Act Relating to the  
Sale of Spray Paint to Minors."

(Draft of Act Appended)

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAR 6 1986  
READ AND PASSED  
*Louis R. Blawie* PRES.  
*Robert M. Mendonca* CLERK

APPROVED  
MAR 13 1986  
*[Signature]*

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Introduced By:

Date Introduced:

Referred By:

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 11-9-19 of the General Laws entitled "Sale of Spray Paint to Minors" is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) No person shall knowingly sell to any child under eighteen (18) years of age any aerosol container capable of defacing property.

(b) For purposes herein, bona fide evidence of majority, identity of major and identity of the person is a document issued by a federal, state, county, or municipal government, or subdivision or agency thereof, including, but not limited to, a motor vehicle operator's license, a registration certificate issued under the federal Selective Service Act, or an identification card issued to a member of the Armed Forces.

Proof that the defendant, or his employee or agent, demanded, was shown and acted in reliance upon such bona fide evidence in any sale transaction forbidden hereby, shall be a defense to any criminal prosecution therefor.

(c) Any person who owns, manages or operates a place of business wherein aerosol containers of paint capable of defacing proper-

ty are sold shall conspicuously post notice of this law in such place of business in letter at least three-eighths (3/8") of an inch high.

(d) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be ~~finned-not-more-than-one-hundred-(\$100)-dollars-for-each offense-~~ guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be fined not exceeding five hundred (\$500) dollars for each offense and/or imprisoned for not more than one (1) year for each offense.

#### EXPLANATION

Purpose: To make it a misdemeanor to sell spray paint containers to people under the age 18 years.