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ORDINANCE NO. 19-6(1)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6, FIRE PROTECTION, ARTICLE 3, FIREWOKS, OF THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE, VIRGINIA

BE IT ORDAINED By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Albemarle, Virginia, that Chapter 6, Fire Protection, Article 3, Fireworks, is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

By Amending:

Mr. Randolph _____

Sec. 6-301 Article not applicable to certain fireworks.

Chapter 6. Fire Protection

Article 3. Fireworks

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Sec. 6-302 Article not applicable to certain fireworks.

The provisions of this article shall not apply to sparklers, fountains, Pharaoh's serpents, caps for pistols or pinwheels, commonly known as whirligigs or spinning jennies, fountains that do not emit sparks or other burning effects to a distance greater than five meters (16.4 feet); wheels that do not emit a flame radius greater than one meter (39 inches); crackling devices and flashers or strobes that do not emit sparks or other burning effects to a distance greater than two meters (78.74 inches); and sparkling devices or other fireworks devices that: (i) do not explode or produce a report; (ii) do not travel horizontally or vertically under their own power; (iii) do not emit or function as a projectile; (iv) do not produce a continuous flame longer than 20 inches; (v) are not capable of being reloaded; and (vi) if designed to be ignited by a fuse, have a fuse that is protected to resist side ignition and a burning time of not less than four seconds and not more than eight seconds when used or exploded on private property with the consent of the owner of such property; nor shall the provisions of this article apply to the use of fireworks by any railroad company for signal purposes or illumination; nor shall the provisions of this article apply to the sale or use of blank cartridges for a show or theater or for signal or ceremonial purposes in athletics or sports or for use by military organizations.

Clerk, Board of County Supervisors

Aye Nay

Mr. Dill

Mr. Gallaway

Mr. Dill