

THE CITY OF CRANSTON

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 15.12 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON,
2005, ENTITLED "HOUSING STANDARDS"
"Non-resident Landlords"

No.

Passed:

Anthony J. Lupino, Council President*Approved:*

Allan W. Fung, Mayor*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Cranston as follows:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 15.12 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding the following new sections thereto:

15.12.780 Non-Resident Landlord Defined

A non-resident landlord is a landowner who owns property in the City of Cranston and rents the property to another but is not domiciled within the State of Rhode Island.

15.12.781 Registration for Non-Resident Landlords

All non-resident landlords are required to register with the Cranston City Clerk in writing and include:

A. Their nameB. Home AddressC. Telephone NumberD. The name of a designated in-state agentE. Contact information of the designated in-state agentF. Address of property own in Cranston.**15.12.782 Notification to Non-Resident Landlords**

The City of Cranston shall notify each non-resident landlord in writing of his, her, its or their requirement to register with the Cranston City Clerk. Notice shall be included in all Cranston City residents' annual property tax bill. Non-resident landlords must notify the Cranston City Clerk's Office within 60 days of the date of postmark on said notice.

15.12.783 Duty to Notify Clerk of Changes

The non-resident landlord is required to notify the City of Cranston City Clerk of any changes to their contact information or the contact information of their designated in-state agent.

15.12.784 Registration Fee

Upon submitting registration in writing to the Cranston City Clerk, nonresident landlords must include forty five dollars (\$45) to be used for processing fees in the form of a check or money order payable to the City of Cranston.

15.12.785 Non-Compliance

If the landlord fails to comply with this section, the non-resident landlord shall be subject to a fine of \$200 per violation payable to the City of Cranston.

15.12.786 Failure to Pay Fine

The City of Cranston may place a lien against the non-resident landlord's property if the fine is not paid within 30 days of mailing to landlord by The City of Cranston.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final adoption.

Positive Endorsement

Negative Endorsement (attach reasons)

Christopher Rawson, City Solicitor Date

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Sponsored by Councilman Archetto

Referred to Ordinance Committee October 13, 2011