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RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES

Introduced By: Representatives Almeida, and Diaz

Date Introduced: March 09, 2010

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1   SECTION 1. Title 45 of the General Laws entitled "TOWNS AND CITIES" is hereby

2   amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3   CHAPTER 64

4   MASTER FIRE ALARM BOX CHARGES

5   **45-64-1 Power to assess charges against users.** – In addition to the powers, privileges,

6   prerogatives, and authority that are now granted to each city and town, or any agency of a city or

7   town, in connection with fire alarm master box systems of these municipalities, each city and

8   town is authorized and empowered to enact ordinances assessing users of master alarm fire box

9   systems of the fire departments of the cities and towns, a charge for the use of said systems in an

10   amount that bears a reasonable relation to the cost to the city or town of the service rendered to

11   the users. In enacting this ordinance, any city or town may also provide that all unpaid charges

12   shall be a lien upon the real estate of the users.

13   **45-64-2 Adoption of implementing provisions.** – Each city and town may, by

14   ordinance, define the person or persons, firm, corporation, partnership, individual, assignee,

15   trustee, or other person upon whom a charge is assessed, and may adopt any other ordinances,

16   rules, or regulations that may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter, and may

17   impose a penalty or penalties for any violation of the ordinance, rule or regulation.

18   **45-64-3 Severability.** – If any part, subdivision, or section of this chapter is declared

19   unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining parts shall not be affected.

1   SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

1   This act would allow cities and towns by ordinance to assess users a reasonable charge

2   for use of master alarm fire box systems of the fire departments of the cities and towns.

3   This act would take effect upon passage.