

ORDINANCE NO. 3198

TITLE: An ordinance defining and making punishable the offense of shoplifting and declaring an emergency.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: SHOPLIFTING DEFINED.

Any person who willfully conceals or takes possession of any goods, offered for sale by a wholesale or retail store or other mercantile establishment, without the knowledge or consent of the owner, and with the intent to convert the goods to his own use without paying the purchase price thereof, is guilty of shoplifting. It shall be prima facia evidence of an attempt to convert the goods to his own use if such goods are taken from the establishment without having paid for the same or without having made arrangements with the owner, manager, or one of his agents at said wholesale, retail or mercantile establishment to remove said goods. Any person found guilty of shoplifting as defined in this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the city jail for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days (180), or by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00), or both.

Section 2: EMERGENCY DECLARED.

Inasmuch as the provisions of this Ordinance are necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, safety, good order and public welfare to the citizens and inhabitants of the City of Albany, Oregon, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

Passed by the Council: May 26, 1965

Approved by the Mayor: May 26, 1965

Russell W. Tripp  
Mayor

Effective Date of Ord: May 26, 1965

ATTEST:

Ernest W. Deham  
City Recorder