ORDINANCE NO	2013-421		
SPONSOR	Mr. Pry		
DATE September	30, 2013	COMMITTEE	Rules

An Ordinance amending Section 775.99 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Penalty," to include a criminal penalty for violations of Chapter 775 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Solicitors, Peddlers, and Canvassers," for the Executive's Department of Law, Insurance and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the County has enacted Chapter 775 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit to regulate the activity of solicitors, peddlers, and canvassers within the townships of the County; and

WHEREAS, Section 775.99, entitled "Penalty," currently only sets forth civil penalties for the violation of Chapter 775; and

WHEREAS, Bath Township has expressed concerns to the County Executive about encountering difficulty enforcing Chapter 775 of the Codified Ordinances due to the lack of a criminal penalty in Section 775.99; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has recommended that Section 775.99 be amended to include a criminal penalty for the violation of Chapter 775;

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to amend Section 775.99 to include a criminal penalty for violations of Chapter 775.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1

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This Council hereby amends Section 775.99 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Penalty," as follows;

"775.99 Penalty.

- (a) Whoever violates any provision of this Chapter shall be subject to the penalties provided in Section 761.99. Additionally, any person who violates any provision of this Chapter shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$100.00 for each offense.
- (b) In addition to the penalties above, any person aggrieved by any violation of this Chapter may pursue remedies authorized in Section 761.04 of this Code."

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SECTION 2

This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it will immediately amend Section 775.99 and provide a more stringent penalty to deter violations of Chapter 775.

SECTION 3

Provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

SECTION 4

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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ENACTED EFFECTIVE October 3, 2013

Voice Vote: 10-0 YES: Comunale, Feeman, Kostandaras Kurt, Lee, Prentice, Rodgers, Roemer, Schmidt, Shapiro

Absent: Crawford