

14-14. Same—Licensing.

It shall be unlawful for any person, house, company, association or body corporate to operate, set up, establish or conduct any business or enterprise mentioned in the preceding Section of this Code, unless such person shall first obtain a license, if such is required by any rule, regulation or law passed under the authority of the preceding Section of this Code, for the operation of such business enterprise, and shall pay such sum as may be fixed as a license fee for the business or enterprises so operated or established; provided, that any person, house, company, association or body corporate that shall operate or establish any business or enterprise mentioned in the preceding Section, without first having procured the license prescribed, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined as prescribed by law not more than one thousand dollars for such offense, or such other penalty as provided in such law.

14-15. Bicycles.

The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to provide by law for the registration and licensing of bicycles owned or operated within the limits of Montgomery County and to require that all such bicycles be registered and that a license tag be affixed. The license fee shall not exceed one dollar, shall be issued upon proof of ownership, and no mechanical inspection shall be required to obtain such license. The Council is further authorized to provide penalties for the violation thereof.

The word "bicycle," as used herein, shall mean a light vehicle having two wheels one behind the other. It shall not include motor propelled vehicles.

14-17. Same—Regulation and licensing generally.

The Council is hereby authorized to provide by law for regulation and licensing of pawnbrokers and their activities, as it shall deem necessary to promote the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the community.

14-18A. Closing-Out Sales.

The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to provide by law for the licensing and conduct of any sale which is advertised to be a termination of business or a cessation of the operation of said business, or a transfer to a new name or any other such sale in connection with which there is any representation by the individual, partnership, voluntary association or corporation conducting such sale, that the sale is being conducted or is required or compelled to be conducted, for reason of economic or business distress, or inability to continue business for any reason; or any other expression or characterization closely similar to any of the foregoing and calculated to convey to the public the information or belief that upon the disposal of the goods to be placed on sale, the business being conducted at any location will cease, or be discontinued, or otherwise be vacated or transferred, surrendered or handed-over to a successor in business or conducted under a new name; or a sale in anticipation of, or in avoidance of termination, liquidation, revision, windup, discontinuation, conclusion, dissolution or abandonment.

14-19. License fees generally.

The Council shall fix and enforce a uniform schedule of fees for licensing any class of business or enterprise as it may deem necessary, or the Council by resolution may authorize the County Executive by