

BY: John H. Feunberg

An Ordinance to amend Section 636.17 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bexley, Ohio and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, parents and guardians have a duty to exercise parental control and authority over their children; and

WHEREAS, parents and guardians who fail or neglect to subject their children to reasonable parental control are responsible for delinquent acts of their children which result from such failure or neglect to exercise reasonable parental control; now, therefore;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

Section 1. That Section 636.17 be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows:

636.17 ABUSE OF CHILDREN; CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY.

(a) No person shall abuse a child or aid, abet, induce, cause, encourage, or contribute to the dependency, neglect, unruliness, or delinquency of a child or a ward of the juvenile court, or act in a way tending to cause delinquency or unruliness in such child. No person shall aid, abet, induce, cause, or encourage a child or a ward of the court, committed to the custody of any person, department, public or private institution, to leave the custody of such person, department, public or private institution, without legal consent. Each day of such contribution to such dependency, neglect, unruliness, or delinquency is a separate offense.

(b) A parent or guardian having custody of a minor is charged with the control of such minor and the duty to exercise parental control and authority over such minor. No parent or guardian shall fail or neglect to subject such minor to reasonable parental control with the result that such failure or neglect shall be the proximate cause of a delinquent act or acts of the minor.

(c) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. Punishment shall be as provided in Section 698.02.

Section 2. That this Ordinance is an emergency ordinance necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and that this Ordinance shall go into force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: September 10, 1985

John H. Feunberg  
President of Council

ATTEST: John H. Feunberg  
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: Sept. 10, 1985

David H. Madison  
David H. Madison,  
Mayor

July 23, 1985 - 1st reading  
Sept. 10, 1985 - 2nd reading  
Susp. & adopt.