ORDINANCE NO. <u>B2015</u> - OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE FEE PENALTY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BARDSTOWN, KENTUCKY AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 117 RELATING TO OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bardstown, Kentucky authorized the creation of a Code Enforcement Board with the authority to issue remedial orders and impose fines in order to provide an equitable, expeditious, effective, and inexpensive method of ensuring compliance with the ordinances in force within the City; and

WHEREAS, through the orders assessed by the Code Enforcement Board, the penalty phase of this chapter will be strengthened; and

WHEREAS, the penalties assessed and enforced by the Code Enforcement Board must be specified in the penalty section of a chapter, with that chapter being determined to be the particular section amended to reflect such penalties for this chapter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Bardstown, Kentucky, that Section 117.99 Penalty (E) of the Code of Ordinances relating to Occupational Licenses be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 117.99 PENALTY.

(E) The city may enforce the collection of the occupational tax due under §117.03 and any fees, penalties, and interest as provided in divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D) of this section by civil action in a court of appropriate jurisdiction. To the extent authorized by law, the city shall be entitled to recover all court costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by it in enforcing any provision of this chapter. Violators of this chapter may be issued a citation by the officer in charge of enforcement. In addition or in the alternative, any person determined to be in violation of this chapter may be assessed civil penalties or fines, those fines assessed through the Code Enforcement Board process as provided for in Ordinance B2015-28 in the amount of no less than \$50 nor more than \$200 for the first offense, no less than \$75 nor more than \$250 for the second offense and no less than \$100 nor more than \$300 for any subsequent offense.

CITY OF BADDSTOWN

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect following publication as required by law.

| | CITT OF BARDSTOWN |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| | |
| | John Royalty, Mayor |
| ATTEST | |
| Barbara Bryant, City Clerk | |
| Dated: | |