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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING NUISANCE EVICTION ORDINANCE (O.M.C. SECTION 8.23) TO: 1) INCLUDE PROSTITUTION RELATED CRIMES, GAMBLING AND ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION AS GROUNDS TO REQUIRE A LANDLORD TO BRING AN EVICTION ACTION AGAINST A NUISANCE TENANT, 2) TO REVISE DEFINITIONS RELATING TO DRUG NUISANCE AND WEAPONS, AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY, IN ADDITION TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, TO ISSUE NOTICES TO OWNERS TO BRING NUISANCE EVICTION ACTIONS

This ordinance amends the City of Oakland Nuisance Eviction Ordinance, codified in Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 8.23, to: 1) include prostitution related crimes, gambling and illegal possession of ammunition as grounds to require a landlord to bring an eviction action against a nuisance tenant, 2) to revise definitions relating to drug nuisance and weapons, and 3) authorize the City Attorney, in addition to the City Administrator, to issue notices to owners to bring nuisance eviction actions. In addition, this ordinance permits landlords to assign the eviction cause of action to the City Attorney to carry out the eviction when the landlord has concerns for their safety and/or the safety of others, with the landlord bearing the eviction costs. Furthermore, this ordinance makes several minor revisions.