

1 **BOARD BILL # 154** **INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN STEPHEN CONWAY**

2 An ordinance pertaining to noise; amending Section Two of Ordinance 67002 by
3 changing the exception for organized events to allow an exception for any lawful event occurring
4 on a periodic basis at a venue where people assemble and that is anticipated and lawfully allowed
5 to occur on a periodic basis; and containing an emergency clause.

6 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

7 **SECTION ONE.** Section Two of Ordinance 67002 is hereby amended to read as
8 follows:

9 Section Two. Playing of Sound Devices Prohibited: When

10 (a) No person shall play any radio, music player, television, audio system or musical
11 instrument upon private property at a volume louder than is necessary for convenient, normal
12 hearing of the person or persons who are on the property on which the device is being used or
13 operated and who are voluntary listeners.

14 (b) Except for any lawful event occurring on a periodic basis at a venue where people
15 assemble and that is anticipated and lawfully allowed to occur on a periodic basis and persons
16 operating motor vehicles under Section Three of this ordinance, no person shall play any radio,
17 music player, or audio system upon public property at a volume which is plainly audible at a
18 distance greater than Seventy-five (75) feet from the source of the sound.

19 (c) Any person participating in any lawful event as provided for in paragraph (b) of this
20 section may generate sound in excess of the limitations in this section only if the sound generated
21 does not exceed reasonable sound levels in light of the nature of the event, its time, and the
22 character of the surrounding neighborhood.

1 **SECTION TWO.** All other provisions of Ordinance 67002 shall remain in full force and
2 effect.

3 **SECTION THREE.** Emergency clause.

4 This being an ordinance for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety, it is
5 hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article
6 IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore shall become effective immediately upon
7 its passage and approval by the mayor.

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