



**BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE REQUIRED BY SECTION 125.66(3),
FLORIDA STATUTES, FOR PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE V OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CODE OF
ORDINANCES, KNOWN AS THE “NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCE OF
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA”; AMENDING PROVISIONS
PERTAINING TO DEFINITIONS, SOUND LEVEL LIMITS, STANDARDS
FOR MEASURING SOUND, EXEMPTIONS, VARIANCES, AND
METHODS OF ENFORCEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE. TO BE CONSIDERED BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ADOPTION AT PUBLIC HEARING
AT 2:00 P.M. ON August 5, 2025**

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Summary of proposed ordinance (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)1.):

The proposed ordinance will amend Article V. Noise Pollution Control, Chapter 15 of the Orange County Code of Ordinances, known as the “Noise Control Ordinance of Orange County, Florida” (the “Noise Control Ordinance”). The proposed ordinance was prepared in response to the request of the Orange County Board of County Commissioners for revision of the Noise Control Ordinance. The purpose of the Noise Control Ordinance is to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of people of the county by preventing, prohibiting, and providing for the abatement of excessive and unnecessary noise, known as noise disturbances. Data collected from a Noise Ordinance Study that included a comparative analysis of noise ordinances in similar Florida communities was utilized to develop new noise level standards that are more compatible with similar Florida communities. To enhance the Orange County Sheriff’s Office’s enforcement efforts against noise disturbances, the proposed ordinance includes reduction of the Plainly Audible Standard Distance Sound Limits and other updates to the plainly audible standards. The proposed ordinance includes new and revised definitions that define the following terms: *distance measuring device*, *special events*, *unamplified voice*, *vehicles*, *emergency work*, *plainly audible*, and *noise disturbance*. In addition, certain exemptions were modified to further protect the health, safety and general welfare of the public. The time period for the noise ordinance exemption related to lawn maintenance activities was reduced from ending at 10pm to ending at 9pm; and the time period for the exemption related to construction and demolition activities was similarly reduced from ending at 10pm to ending at 9pm.

An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the county, if any (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)2.):

- a. **An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted:** The amendments are not anticipated to result in additional costs to business.
- b. **Identification of any new charge or fee on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible:** The amendments do not include any new charges or fees.

c. **An estimate of the county's regulatory costs, including an estimate of revenues from any new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses to cover such costs:** The amendments are not anticipated to result in increased regulatory costs.

A good faith estimate of the number of businesses that will be financially impacted by this ordinance (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)3.): None

Any additional information the Board determines may be useful (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)4.): None