

ADOPTED FEBRUARY 5, 2018

**TOWNSHIP OF DELANCO
ORDINANCE 2018-2**

**AMENDING CHAPTER 145 GOVERNING
" CERTIFICATE OF HABITABILITY "**

WHEREAS, the Township of Delanco has existing provisions governing the issuance of Certificates of Habitability under Chapter 145 of the Township Code; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the costs to administer this program have increased significantly over time and it is necessary to increase the fees for this service in order to cover these costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1.

The Code of the Township of Delanco is hereby amended to change Section 145-2 paragraphs A & E dealing with the fees for the issuance of a Certificate of Habitability to read as follows:

§ 145-2 Procedures for obtaining a certificate of habitability.

A certificate of habitability shall be requested, processed and issued in the following manner:

- A. Application shall be made in writing by the owner or owner's agent or representative to the Housing Code Officer prior to a change in ownership or occupancy, requesting an inspection by the said enforcement officer or designated representative or agency, specifying the premises to be inspected, the location thereof, the name of the present owners(s) and lessee(s) and the number of people who shall occupy the same. The fee for such inspection shall be **\$100** and shall be tendered and paid to the Township Clerk at the time of making the application.

- E. One re-inspection, if required, shall be performed without additional fee. The fee for any subsequent re-inspections that may be required after the initial re-inspection shall be **\$50** per re-inspection. The initial re-inspection shall be within 30 days of the date of the inspection report or as soon thereafter as the Inspection Officer can schedule such re-inspection in instances where the prospective purchaser has assumed responsibility for correction of violations.

Section 2. Repealer. Any Ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of its inconsistency.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of the Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect, and for this purpose the provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared to severable.

Section 4. Effective date. This Ordinance shall be effective upon proper passage in accordance with law, and shall remain in force until modified, amended or rescinded.