Information for Public Safety False Alarm Reduction Professionals

FARA InfoLink January 2018 Edition

FARA News

- FARA Symposium Hotel and Dates set for 2018
- Thanks to Institute Sponsors!
- o New Members Join Board of Directors
- Election 2018
- Nominations Needed for FARA Members of the Year!
- Nominations for FARA Achievement Awards Needed!
- Happy New Year! A Good Time to Review!

General News

- o CES News
- FARA's Believe it or Not
- o Public Safety Updates
- Industry News
- o Legislative News
- FARA Mission Statement
- Contact Us

Thanks to Institute Sponsors!

Without the FARA Institute and our generous contributors, FARA training symposiums would not be possible. Many, many heartfelt thanks go out to all of our Institute donors as follows:

Platinum Partner (\$5000 or more donation)

National Electronic Security Alliance (NESA)
Texas Burglar & Fire Alarm Association (TBFAA)

Gold Partner (\$3000 or more donation)

Arkansas Security Alarm Association

Silver Sponsor (\$1000)

Maryland Burglar & Fire Alarm Association

Moni

Vector Security, Inc.

FARA Training Symposium



Hotel and Dates are set

DoubleTree Suites Seattle Airport
Southcenter
Seattle, WA



May 1 to 3, 2018- FARA Symposium

Download the Symposium Packet

Register Online

Whether you're a family looking for budget-friendly finds or a seasoned traveler on the hunt for the latest Instagram-worthy vista, the Emerald City has you covered. While here, you can meet artisan makers, shop indie boutiques and designer fashions, admire priceless works of art, sing your heart out at a karaoke club, explore like a local in the city's diverse neighborhoods, and enjoy nature—all without ever having to leave the city. No matter what you're looking for, the perfect adventure awaits.

Click Here to View the Online Visitors Guide

New Members Join Board of Directors

By Brad Shipp, FARA

- During the September 2017 Board Meeting the board appointed Sherry Couey of Fayetteville NC as VP- Electronic Security and Meredith Wivell of Frederick MD to be Secretary.
 - Sherry Couey is the Alarm Coordinator for Fayetteville Police Dept. She has served as FARA Secretary since 2015. She brings he famous Carolina accent to her role as Co-Chair of the Training and Communications Committee. She received the Norma C. Beaubien Public Safety Member of the Year Award in 2015.
 - Meredith Wivell of Frederick MD has served as the President of the FARA Mid Atlantic Chapter and received the Norma C. Beaubien Public Safety Member of the Year Award in 2016. She has served on the Symposium Committee and as a presenter at several symposiums. Wivell was hired as the Frederick City department's false alarm reduction coordinator in 2010, three years after the city introduced the false alarm ordinance.
- During the December 2017 Board Meeting the board appointed Kelly Ryan, President of the Texas Burglar & Fire Alarm Association as the Associate Director for Fire.
 - Kelly Ryan has served as the president of TBFAA since 2015. He is Vice President of Sales and Marketing at Dispatch Center, LTD and has served on the TBFAA board in several capacities since 2006. He was named as the TBFAA Person of the Year in 2015. He also represents TBFAA on the NESA board.
- During the January 2018 Board Meeting the board appointed Jordon Brown of the Arkansas Security Alarm Association as Associate Director for Electronic Security.
 - Jordon Brown is a past president of NESA and has served on the NESA board since 2004. He currently serves as Secretary / Treasurer for the Arkansas Security Alarm Association. He served on the Arkansas Licensing Board from 2008 to 2012 and teaches compliance classes in Arkansas and Oklahoma. He is a Regional Manager for Guardtronic, Inc. Jordon was named the W. Rex Bell Associate Member of the Year Award in 2014.

Election 2018

By Brad Shipp, FARA

The following offices are up for election at the 2018 Annual Meeting:

- President Currently held by Kerri McDonald
- Vice President Fire Alarms Currently held by Tammy Foxworthy
- Treasurer Currently held by Steve Heggemann
- Fire Alarm Associate Director Currently held by Kelly Ryan
- Vendor Associate Director Currently held by Rick Moore

FARA members, who have met the following requirements, can run for office: been in good standing for at least one year; and attended at least one FARA Annual Membership Meeting; and served on one or more FARA committees.

The Board may waive the requirements for candidates specified by a two-thirds vote if no candidates meeting the requirements come forward.

Members who are interested in seeking a position as an officer or member of the Board must submit, to the Executive Director, a request for consideration of candidacy for the particular office they are seeking along with a biographical resume no later than February 23th. The request for consideration of candidacy shall include a brief statement as to why they want to hold the office they are seeking.

- 1. If the Executive Director only receives requests for consideration of candidacy from one candidate for each position up for vote, then the Executive Director shall not be required to send absentee ballots to the membership.
- 2. In that case, the Executive Director shall, at the annual FARA Membership Meeting, declare that the nominee is elected by acclamation, and no vote of the membership will be necessary.

Nominations Needed for FARA Members of the Year!

By: Brad Shipp, FARA

The FARA Norma C. Beaubien Public Safety and W. Rex Bell Associate Member of the Year Awards are the highest honor FARA gives to deserving individuals, who demonstrate a significant commitment and contribute the most to their department or company, the community they serve and to FARA. Public safety and associate members can submit nominations for either category.

Please submit your written nomination by March 15th detailing the reasons you believe the individual nominated deserves such an award. Please limit your nomination to one (1) page or less.

Please submit your nominations to FARA c/o Brad Shipp at bradshipp@4yoursolution.com

Past recipients of the Norma C. Beaubien Public Safety Member of the Year Award are:

2017- Julie Rush

2016- Meredith Wivell & Nadya Morgan

2015- Sherry Couey & Roberta Smiley

2014- David Wilson & Shellie Reid

2013- Tammy Foxworthy & Kerri McDonald

2012- Debbie Hansen & Amy Lowe

2011- Stacey Peacock & Sue Clark

2010- Steve Heggemann

2009- Gerry Miller

2008- Natasha Pitts

2007- Christine Van Geest

2006- Brad Wahab

2005- Patty Bimonte

2004- Rick Moore

2003- Rex Bell

2002- Denise Shaw & Amy Lobdell

Past recipients of the W. Rex Bell Associate Member of the Year Award are:

2017- Craig Bober

2016- Sarah Salazar

2015- Not awarded

2014- Jordon Brown

2013- Jon Sargent

2012- Joe Carr & Cindy Smith

2011- Stuart Forchheimer & Kristina Walker

2010- Ben Binder

2009- Mary Galloway

2008- John Tierney

2007- Kelly Maceranka

2006- Chris Russell

2005- Pat Killian

2004- Tony Fague

2003- Not awarded

2002- Ron Walters & Brad Shipp

2001- James Cogswell 2000- W. Patrick Kenny 1999- Shanna Werner 1998- Patti Rea and Norma Beaubien 2001- Kathleen Schraufnagel 2000- Jennifer Gehring 1999- Susan Brenton 1998- Matt Wald

Nominations for FARA Achievement Awards Needed!

By Brad Shipp, FARA

Please send in your nominations for FARA's False Alarm Reduction Achievement Awards.

Feel free to nominate your own agency/company or others. Both public safety and associate members can submit nominations for any category listed below.

All submitted nominations will be provided to the attendees in Seattle. All attendees will then cast a vote on who their favorite is in each category. So make the sale for your nomination by giving enough information to allow the voters to understand what the accomplishment is and how you were able to achieve it. You may use text, charts, graphs or any combination of the three.

Proud of your alarm management program?

Have a terrific success story to share?

Want the world to know about it?

Then tell us!

Please limit your nomination to no more than two (2) pages in length. The Achievement Awards will be presented during the training symposium.

- Public Safety False Alarm Reduction Achievement Award: This award is presented to the public safety agency that has an alarm management program, which has shown meaningful or significant reduction in the number of false alarms over a 3 to 5 year period.
- Industry False Alarm Reduction Achievement Award: This award is presented to an <u>individual alarm company</u> that has implemented and sustained an alarm management program, which has shown meaningful or significant reduction in the number of false alarms over a 3 to 5 year period.
- **FARA Achievement Award**: This award is presented to an <u>individual, company or association</u> that has demonstrated significant or meaningful contributions toward the FARA mission.

Nominations must be submitted on or before April 2, 2018 to be considered.

Please submit your nominations to FARA c/o Brad Shipp at bradshipp@4yoursolution.com or via fax at 301/519-9508.

Happy New Year! A Good Time to Review!

By Sherry Couey, FARA Board member and Training/Communications Chair

As 2018 gets underway, many of us may reflect on recent accomplishments or unmet 2017 goals. This can be especially true for alarm coordinators. We may look over annual reports or stats to see if progress has been made from the previous year. Did you see a reduction? Has revenue collection increased? Has new technology affected the calls to which your agency has responded? Did you see an increase in calls?

With this reflection, this time of year may be ideal to review your current ordinance and policies. With an ever changing alarm industry, public safety agencies often find themselves unable to address certain issues. More and more alarm users are opting for the "on the shelf" variety of home automation which often includes a security system. We are now seeing mobile apps that allow untrained alarm users to self-monitor via on site cameras. Doorbell cameras are one such example. Seniors and/or their families are purchasing wireless systems for self-reassurance to summon help when needed. Some of you are also seeing reports of mobile apps (often called PERS) that utilize GPS signals to request public safety dispatch to a vague location. Are you seeing more reports of citizens reporting audible alarm sirens? Does your ordinance even address non-monitored alarms? With the expanding security system market, we might find ourselves unable to effectively enforce our ordinance as written.

So where do you start? Well, whether you are a new alarm manager or 20 year veteran, FARA is here to help. We not only have numerous documents and training materials at your disposal, but many fellow members, who are already addressing some of these issues. So when you have time, take a few minutes to see what areas you may need to address, then reach out to your fellow FARA members. A FARA request is a fantastic way to gathering such information.

Remember, that this is your organization, one designed especially for alarm managers like you. Contact us today and let us help you get your new year off to a great start!

CES News

9 New Products from the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

- Bosch BMA400 accelerometers are used in glass break and vibration sensors and in wearable devices such as
 fitness bands, smart clothes, watches and activity trackers. The sensor's measurement signal has precisely defined
 cutoff frequencies to help distinguish between real alarm situations like broken glass and false signals coming from
 random vibrations. To extend battery life, the BMA400 wakes up automatically only when it detects motion and goes
 back into sleep mode when the motion recedes. More Info
- Ooma Butterfleye can detect and recognize different sounds, people, and pets and provide users with instant detailed alerts. It has a 120-degree field of view and supports 24/7 live streaming in 1080p Full HD and two-way talk audio.
- Ooma geofencing capabilities will automatically arm and disarm the security system based on users' proximity to home. Using each users' smartphone GPS, Ooma Home will activate the system when the last recognized user leaves a customizable radius, and it turn it off as soon as a recognized user returns.
- <u>Lynky Go Button</u> eliminates the need to be in the same room in order to manage a home's Internet of Things devices.
- Linky Go Sensor offers temperature- and humidity-tracking capabilities.
- New 700 Series Z-Wave Platform includes numerous performance and technological enhancements in energyefficiency and RF performance.
- Alarm.com connected thermostat uses machine learning and cloud intelligence to anticipate HVAC failures and water damage. For easier installation, it automatically detects HVAC wiring and configures settings to the home's system.
- ADT Life360 is a networking app that allows family members to share their location with each other and communicate throughout the day.
- <u>ADT Pulse Video DoorBell</u> allows users to use one mobile app to unlock doors to disarm their security system, and trigger events once the doorbell is engaged.
- <u>ADT Cybersecurity services</u> will include devices and customizable services to professionally monitor home WiFi networks, safeguard computers, mobile devices and smart gadgets by partnering with leading cyber device brands.

10 Smart Fire Prevention Products From CES 2018

- <u>LifeDoor</u> shuts the door when a fire-alarm sounds. The motorized product, which slips over a door's existing hinges, blares a siren and flashes a light as the door shuts automatically.
- 2Gig Stove & Grill Guard, which sends an alert when the knob is turned from the off position.
- <u>Innohome</u> Stove Alarm SA101 learns the cooking behaviors of a household, and sounds an alarm when an anomaly is detected.
- <u>iGuardFire</u> includes an electronic on/off controller that communicates with a power box plugged into the stove's existing power outlet. Electricity flows to the stove only when it's supposed to. (A gas version is available as well.)
- <u>Inirv</u> React motorized knob for stoves, installs directly over the stove's shaft to torque the temperature downward as needed, for example, to shut off a burner completely in an emergency event, or to simply reduce to a warmer position for simmering.
- The OnePrevent from <u>OneEvent Technologies</u> uses machine learning to monitor environmental conditions, alerting homeowners if those conditions might portend a fire.
- <u>Safer Alarms, Inc.</u> puts the sensor closer to the potential fire source. In a kitchen, for example, that would be near the stove burners.
- NodOn EYE smoke detector uses two LEDs infrared and blue to first detect an obstruction, and then qualify if it is smoke.
- <u>SftyAS</u> offers WiFi-enabled smoke detectors for apartments, condos and hotels. A smoke detector triggered in one
 unit would trigger detectors across the complex. With their built-in motion sensors, the detectors can inform
 emergency crews on the whereabouts of people in the building. A cloud-based service provides other building
 analytics to help warn and evacuate occupants.
- OneLink Safe & Sound combines a Photoelectric, Ionization smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector along
 with a hands-free voice-controlled speaker and built-in Alexa Voice services. If multiple Safe & Sounds devices are
 installed, they will all ring and can notify your mobile phone. The device installs like a standard hardwired smoke
 alarm and has a 10-year sealed Lithium backup battery

FARA's Believe it or Not

By: Brad Shipp

- CA: Caught On Camera: San Ramon Burglar Leaves His Image Behind ...
 - 1.16.18 San Ramon (CBS SF) A man who busted into a home in San Ramon to steal property left behind a recording of his face and distinguishing tattoo on surveillance video. San Ramon police tweeted the residential burglary happened at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. More Info
- CA: Fair Oaks Restaurant Posts Video of Burglar, Thanks Neighbors for ...
 - 1.18.18 FOX40- Fair Oaks The Dad's Kitchen restaurant in Fair Oaks had its window smashed in an early Wednesday burglary, according to a post on its Facebook page. "To the man with a cigarette in his mouth that broke in at 4:15 a.m. (Wednesday) to take the cash drawer with \$3 change in it ... we see you," the post read. More Info
- CA: Firefighters free would-be burglar from chimney
 - 1.24.18 fox5sandiego.com San Diego A man was rescued from a chimney after trying to break into a home in City Heights overnight, police said. San Diego police received a call around 11 p.m. Tuesday about a possible burglary at a home. When officers arrived, they found a man stuck in a chimney. Firefighters ... More Info
- TN: Raccoon sets off alarm at Knoxville store
 - 1.15.18 WATE 6 On Your Side Knoxville, Tenn. A masked suspect was caught inside a Boost Mobile store in Knoxville. The Knoxville Police Department says a raccoon got into the store and set off a burglary alarm. "With the help of the business owner, the suspect escaped through the front door," said police. The report says the officer at the .. More Info
- TX: Smoke machine fills nightclub with smoke while no one was inside
 - 12.25.17 KRIS Corpus Christi News An odd scene played out at a nightclub Sunday morning as the sight of smoke was seen coming from a building. Corpus Christi Fire Department responded to a smoke alarm call at a nightclub. As fire investigators showed up, it turns out the smoke was not caused by something ... More Info
- VT: Chemistry class mishap evacuates Milton High School
 - 1.12.18 My Champlain Valley FOX44 & ABC22 Milton, Vt. The Milton School District said an unexpected chemical reaction set off alarms at Milton High. On Thursday, school officials said an unexpected chemical reaction occurred in one of the science labs during a student project. A release states, "Due to the nature of the experiment, an alarm was set off." Students and ... More Info
- WA: A lawyer walks into a bank and things get weird
 - 1.10.18 The Daily Herald As the bank's customer service manager would later tell police, Kriger reportedly insisted a troubled family member was outside with a police scanner and a high-powered rifle. If Kriger didn't come out with the money, or somebody triggered the silent alarm, the gunman would open fire. The manager hit the alarm anyway. More Info

Do you have any stories you would like to share about strange, unusual, or funny reasons for false alarms? How about outlandish things that happen in the course of your usual work day? I know we all have them, so let's share and give everyone a chuckle! Please forward your stories to bradshipp@4yoursolution.com and we'll put them in the next InfoLink for all to share!

Door to Door Sales

Courtesy of NESA

- Service Nova Scotia warns of "unlicensed" company selling home ...
 - 1.19.18 HalifaxToday.ca Nova Scotians who have entered into an ADT Security Services contract sold by a door-to-door seller representing iCONIC Alarms between February and October 2017 are protected under the Direct Sellers' Regulation Act. The contract can be cancelled at any time, for any reason. Nova Scotians cannot be charged .. More Info
- Gulfport police receive complaints of solicitors going door to door
 - 1.27.18 WLOX Gulfport police announced Friday a series of complaints they've been receiving about door to door solicitors. Officers have a warning for situations when you think something is suspicious. "We've received multiple complaints of solicitors going door-to-door, attempting to sell alarms, enter homes and change alarm batteries. More Info

Public Safety Updates

Courtesy of NESA

AZ: Prescott considers changing fees for false alarms

1.11.18 - The Daily Courier - Mandatory free registration and an accelerated false-alarm fine schedule could be in store for users of security alarms in Prescott. Still, the city's changes likely will not go as far as the "verified alarm response" that the Town of Prescott Valley imposed starting Jan. 1. While a final decision on a change in the way the Prescott ... More Info

AZ: Prescott requires registration of security alarms

1.25.18 - The Daily Courier - 23, users of security alarms in Prescott will have to register their alarm with the Prescott Police Department. In a 5-2 vote Tuesday, Jan. 23, the Prescott City Council approved a measure that requires all alarm systems in the city to be registered – in a free, online system. Previously, the ordinance required registration only ... More Info

AZ: PV Police will stop responding to alarms unless they're 'verified'

12.30.17 - The Daily Courier - Prescott Valley Police officers will stop responding to burglar alarms unless they are "verified" on January 1, according to PVPD spokesman Jerry Ferguson. The plan in called Verified Alarm Response, and it requires confirmation that a crime, attempted crime, or other emergency is occurring or about to occur. Ferguson ... More Info

• AZ: Sedona Fire District considers false alarm law

1.25.18 - Sedona Red Rock News - The call comes in. Fire crews rush to don their protective gear, board the firetruck and are on their way to the scene. But more and more frequently these days, the call is a result of a non-maintained or faulty alarm system. This scenario played out more than a 150 times for the Sedona Fire District in the past year, and now ... More Info

CA: Atherton to begin billing residents for false alarms

1.23.18 - The Almanac Online - 17 City Council meeting says that from January 2016 to November 2017 the police department received 4,599 alarm calls -- all of them false. While the department was able to determine that about half the calls were false alarms without responding, checking out the others took up the equivalent of 13 months of one full-time ... More Info

• CA: Atherton to consider poles, trees, alarms, tax on Wednesday

1.16.18 - The Almanac Online - The chief's report says that from January 2016 to November 2017 the police department received 4,599 alarm calls --all of them false. The department was able to determine that about half the calls were false alarms without responding. But ones they did respond to took up the equivalent of 13 months of one full-time police ... More Info

• CA: City to Start Charging for False Home Alarm Responses

1.6.18 - NBC 7 San Diego - Among the heap of new legislation in place in San Diego for 2018 is a law that will allow the city to charge residents for false home security alarm trips that result in a visit from emergency responders. The city says that the majority of home alarms that San Diego Police and Fire-Rescue department personnel respond to are ... More Info

• CA: Manteca's alarming situation

12.29.17 - Manteca Bulletin - If your burglar alarm goes off in 2018 and you haven't obtained a permit from the Manteca Police Department or updated an existing permit get ready to shell out \$200. That's the price hundreds of homeowners and business pay each year for failing to follow the rules. Typically the city collects more than \$100,000 in fines on ... More Info

• CT: Alarm system registration reminder

1.5.18 - Trumbull Times - If you have an alarm system in your home, you are required to register your system with the Trumbull Police Department. Failure to register will result in a \$100 fine plus a \$50 fine for the false activation. If your alarm is registered, no fines are imposed until the third false alarm within a one-year time period. The Alarm ...More Info

• FL: Fire commissioners approve changes to district fees

12.28.17 - Lehigh Acres Citizen - The Lehigh Acres fire board voted to approve proposed changes to the district's fee schedule for costs associated with fire alarm checks, annual fire inspections and more. At its Dec. 19 regular meeting, the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of a resolution brought ... More Info

MD: Maryland Smoke Alarm Law Now in Effect

1.18.18 - The Maryland Office of the State Fire Marshal posted a reminder about the law last month. It said while the law emphasizes the use of sealed-battery ... More Info

- WA: Panic buttons rolling out for hotel housekeepers to combat sex assault
 - 1.16.18 KSHB Now, all hotels with more than 60 rooms are required to provide panic buttons that trigger some kind of alarm. Seattle has not yet provided rules regarding the exact type of panic button that hotels are required to use. But one of the more common types of buttons currently in use in the city connects to software attached to the ... More Info
- WA: Sound the alarm: It's time to register security systems

1.17.18 - Port Townsend Leader - The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office has responded to hundreds of false alarms in recent years, with 387 unwarranted alarm calls received in 2017 alone. While Sheriff Dave Stanko attributed the likely causes of these alarms to defective alarm systems or human error, he noted these false alarms require law enforcement to ... More Info

Industry News

Courtesy of NESA

- Will my home security system still work in a power outage?
 - 1.9.18 WTOP Landline/Phone line alarm monitoring: Yes it will still work! What it is: This type of monitoring sends signals to the monitoring station via a standard phone line (often known as POTS, for Plain Old Telephone Service). Why it still works during a power failure: It works for the same reason your landline phone still works when ... More Info
- Kastle Systems Acquires Urban Alarm; Expands Into Single-Family ...
 - 1.3.18 Security Sales & Integration Founded in 2003, Urban Alarm's clients include a mix of high-end, single-family residential homeowners, as well as commercial, institutional and property management organizations throughout the metro D.C. area. The company provides access control, video surveillance, remote video monitoring, guard patrol services, ... More Info
- Vivint to Pay ADT \$10 Million to Settle Deceptive Sales Lawsuit
 - 1.4.18 SDM- ADT settled its lawsuit against Vivint Inc. ADT alleged the Utah-based company used deceptive sales practices to mislead ADT customers into signing long-term contracts. More Info
- Wayne Alarm Acquires High-End Resi Specialist Lexington Alarm ...
 - 1.9.18 Security Sales & Integration Lexington Alarm specializes primarily in custom-designed security systems for high-end and exclusive residential neighborhoods in the greater Boston area. Founded in 1972 by Donald Martini, the company has approximately 8,700 clients. Its subscriber base consists of a 75%/25% mix of residential and commercial ... More Info
- ADT brings verification to SMB customers using its Pulse platform
 - 1.11.18 SSN Boca Raton, Fla. ADT announced in late December that it could verify alarms through cameras connected for small- to medium-sized business customers on the ADT Pulse platform nationwide. More Info
- Red Hawk Makes 2 Acquisitions
 - 1.16.18 SDM Red Hawk Fire & Security LLC, ranked No. 18 on the SDM 100, purchased two companies to build upon its capabilities in the special hazard fire suppression business and the integrated security services arena. More Info
- Self-monitoring systems: Friend or foe to the professionals?
 - 1.17.18 SSN Without a doubt, there has been an increasing trend toward DIY security systems, which are not only installed by the homeowner but also monitored by them (also referred to as MIY, or "monitor-it-yourself" systems). Many homeowners are discovering the advantages of these systems, such as eliminating the monthly fees associated with the central monitoring station that are such an integral part of the professional offerings. More
- Heating equipment is a leading cause of fires in U.S. homes
 - 12-17 NFPA Space heaters are the involved in 85% of deaths in home fires caused by heating equipment. Stay safe this cold winter season and read more about home heating equipment fires in NFPA's new report. More Info
- Home alarm conman takes advantage of retired couple
 - 1.25.18 ABC Action News Mary noticed two debits a month started showing up on her checking statement weeks after a knock on the door. The salesman who showed up at their door last fall turned out to be the same guy who sold them the original Safeguard unit in 2015. More Info

Legislative News

Courtesy of NESA

Bill Text	Description	History
CASB00904 Text	Wieckowski (S) Alarm companies: business conditions: limited liability companies. An act to amend Section 7599.34 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations. Status: 01/17/18: Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.	History
FLSB01432 Text	Introduced by Senate Ethics and Elections Requiring certain condominium or cooperative associations to post certain signs or symbols on buildings revising provisions relating to evidence of condominium and cooperative association compliance with the fire and life safety code revising unit and common elements required to be retrofitted, etc. Status: 1/2/2018: Senate - Filed	History
INHB01139 Text	Jeff Ellington Building codes. Prohibits a city, town, or county from adopting an ordinance that includes more stringent or detailed requirements that conflict with the fire prevention and building safety commission's rules. Status: 01/08/2018: First reading: referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety	<u>History</u>
MSHB01162 Text	MS Legal Code: 045-0011-0101 "The John McGee Act"; create to require public postsecondary institutions to install carbon monoxide detectors in certain facilities. Taylor Status: 01/15/2018: (H) Referred To Universities and Colleges; Appropriations All Versions: Introduced	<u>History</u>
MSHB01309 Text	MS Legal Code: 045-0011-0049 Hotels; require installation of carbon monoxide alarms in. Lamar Status: 01/15/2018: (H) Referred To Public Health and Human Services All Versions: Introduced	<u>History</u>
NJAB00475 Text	Revises law concerning alarm business licensees. No companion bill. Status: 1/9/2018: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee	History
NJAB00771 Text	Requires nonpublic school buildings to be equipped with emergency light and panic alarm linked to a local law enforcement. No companion bill. Status: 1/9/2018: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Education Committee	History
NJAB00772 Text	Requires public and nonpublic school buildings to be equipped with emergency light and panic alarm linked to local law enforcement. No companion bill. Status: 1/9/2018: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Education Committee	History
NJAB01358 Text	Regulates installation, maintenance, and repair of low-voltage alarm systems. No companion bill. Status: 1/9/2018: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee	<u>History</u>

NJAB01835 Text	Requires carbon monoxide detectors in school buildings. No companion bill. Status: 1/9/2018: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Education Committee	<u>History</u>
NJSB00823 Text	Regulates installation, maintenance, and repair of low-voltage alarm systems. No companion bill. Status: 1/9/2018: Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee	<u>History</u>
OKSB01061 Text	Alarm and locksmiths; prohibiting automatic renewal of certain contracts; customer rights; codification. Effective date. Status: 02/05/2018: Authored by Senator Daniels	<u>History</u>
OKSB01525 Text	Professions and occupations; repealing the Alarm, Locksmith and Fire Sprinkler Industry Act. Effective date. Status: 02/05/2018: Authored by Senator Bice	<u>History</u>
TNHB01884 Text	Professions and Occupations - As introduced, requires a person who holds a valid certificate of registration as a locksmith apprentice for four or more years to apply for licensure as a locksmith; reduces continuing education requirements for locksmiths Amends TCA Title 62, Chapter 11 and Title 62, Chapter 35. Status: 01/25/2018: Intro., P1C.	<u>History</u>
TNSB01860 Text	Professions and Occupations - As introduced, requires a person who holds a valid certificate of registration as a locksmith apprentice for four or more years to apply for licensure as a locksmith; reduces continuing education requirements for locksmiths Amends TCA Title 62, Chapter 11 and Title 62, Chapter 35. Status: 01/25/2018: Introduced, Passed on First Consideration	<u>History</u>
VAHB00609 Text	Housing; installation and maintenance of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Creates a statewide standard for the installation and maintenance of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in rental property. Status: 01/08/2018: House: Committee Referral Pending	<u>History</u>

FARA Mission Statement

It is the mission of the False Alarm Reduction Association (FARA) to provide a forum for local government alarm ordinance professionals to exchange information on successful false alarm reduction programs, to serve as a clearinghouse for agencies seeking to reduce false alarms, and to foster an environment of cooperation among public safety, the alarm industry and the alarm users.

Contact Us

False Alarm Reduction
Association
10024 Vanderbilt Circle, Unit 4
Rockville, MD 20850
Email: info@faraonline.org
http://www.faraonline.org
301-519-9237

Comments and suggestions regarding FARA's InfoLink are both encouraged and welcomed. If you would like to submit an article for publication, or if you have any questions or concerns about this newsletter, please contact us at 301-519-9237, or by e-mail at: info@faraonline.org

Please add FARA to your mailing list if you send out Newsletters or mailings with false alarm reduction information. Do you have a brochure that describes your ordinance or program? We would like to see it. Staff will review what we receive and share tips and information with your fellow members in later issues of this newsletter.

Submitted articles in this newsletter are the expressed opinions of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Officers and Directors of FARA.