

# **The National Monitor**

Tracking National Legislation & Regulation to Allow Grassroots Action

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#### **Association Events**

8.7.13 - OKBFAA - OK Burglar and Fire Alarm
 Monthly Meeting - 112 N.E. 50th Street Oklahoma City, OK - Oklahoma NECA offices (National Electrical Contractors Assn.) Speaker will be Dan Salts, Owasso Fire Marshall and President, Fire Marshall's Association of Oklahoma RSVP

9.19.13- OKBFAA Business Seminar and Golf Scramble
 September 19, 2013 - Edmond, OK - 8:30 - 11:00 Seminar followed by Golf Scramble. More Info

## **Door to Door Sales**

MS: Fire Marshal warns of unauthorized alarm system salesmen
 7.19.13 - Jackson Clarion Ledger - Commissioner of Insurance and State Fire Marshal Mike Chaney is cautioning citizens to be aware of reports of unauthorized alarm system salesmen in the area ... More Info



OK: Pushy Door-To-Door Salesmen Alarm Metro Residents
7.19.13 - news9.com KWTV - A Mustang mother, who did not want to reveal her identity, was home alone Wednesday morning when she says three men showed up on her doorstep. More Info

# **Public Safety Updates**

GA: City delays start of alarm enforcement until Sept. 1
 7.15.13 - Reporter Newspapers - City officials announced they will not begin enforcing Dunwoody's new false-alarm ordinance until Sept. 1. The ordinance officially took effect July 1... More Info

MI: Detroit dispatch system back online following outage
 7.9.13 - Security Info Watch - Police chief promises accountability More info

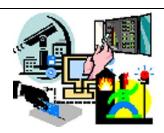


- MO: False Alarm Fines In Springfield Now Handled By Private Company
  - 7.17.13 KTTS Companies in Springfield with security alarm systems that send out one to many false alarms will now be billed for fines by a private company and not the police ... More Info
- MO: KPD officers promoted during Kennett City Council meeting
  - 7.17.13 Daily Dunklin Democrat If the alarm is defective, that would be in violation of the ordinance. It will be further discussed at the next meeting. Absent from the meeting were Councilperson ... More Info
- MO: Springfield Police Hope New System Will Curb False Alarms
   7.15.13 OzarksFirst.com Lisa Cox, Public Affairs Officer with the SPD, says alarm users will be receiving a notice
  - 7.15.13 OzarksFirst.com Lisa Cox, Public Affairs Officer with the SPD, says alarm users will be receiving a notice from PMAM Corporation to register their alarm systems and be notified ...More Info
- NC: Cornelius police fight crime, false alarms
  - 7.18.13 Huntersville Herald Cornelius Police may have responded to fewer property and violent crimes compared to last year, but the department has been busy with false alarms, storm ... More Info
- SC: Fines racking up for false alarms in Horry County
  7.15.13 WBTW Myrtle Beach and Florence SC False alarms in Horry County are a costly safety issue. Myrtle Beach
  Fire Chief Alvin Payne told News13 earlier this year, that every time a call comes it costs ... More Info

## **Industry News**

New options driving connected home growth

7.17.13 - Security Systems News – Dallas - A survey of consumers found that home safety products top homeowners' wish list of additional features. What does this mean for you as a security dealer? More Info



A Lesson in Why Brand Name Matters

7.15.13 - CEPro - The system is also integrated into the ADT Pulse system and with alarm panels from 2Gig Technologies, DMP, DSC, Honeywell, Interlogix and Napco Security. More Info

- Special Report: Government Security Sharing Video with Police
   6.21.13 Security Info Watch Law enforcement across the country is devising formal programs to ask businesses, public entities and residents to share surveillance footage More Info
- Residential sector gaining steam in the intrusion alarm market
   7.17.13 SecurityInfoWatch A report recently released by IMS Research, part of IHS, suggests that there may be increased integration in the intrusion alarm industry as more companies ... More Info
- CA: Burglars, Beware: The eyes of homeowners may be upon you!
   7.17.13 Lamorindaweekly Cameras, along with burglar alarms, he said, "may serve as a strong ... "They cost," he said, "but they come with audio that the alarm company can see and hear. More Info
- MN: Photoelectric Smoke Alarms Should Be Installed In Every Home
   7.18.13 Minneapolis Star Tribune Photoelectric smoke alarms are the only smoke alarms you need. Forget dual-sensor smoke alarms, and forget ionization alarms. A recent article in the ASHI ... More Info
- Professor looks into a burglar's mind
   7.19.13 WKYT And those alarm systems sold with the assurance that they'll deter criminals from coming in? "Alarms seem to be a huge deterrent for them and we asked them ... More Info
- Report: School Security Systems Integration Market to Reach \$4.9B by 2017
   7.17.13 Security Sales & Integration EL SEGUNDO, Calif. Recent tragedies at educational institutions, such as the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting, will drive the market for school security system integration in the United States to increase by more than 80% from 2012 to 2017, according to research analyst IHS. More Info

## **Legislative Report**

None this week

## **State Trends**

As smartphones spread so do laws to keep drivers' hands off them | 7.17.13 - Stateline - Arizona, Montana and South Carolina are the only states left without distracted driving laws, after a three-year span when lawmakers in other states cracked down on drivers who talk, text or browse on mobile devices. More Info



## **National News**

- US school security market is growing due to high-profile school ...
   7.17.13 Government Security News ... complete security solutions, including the provision, installation and maintenance of video surveillance, physical access control and intruder alarm systems. More Info
  - AT&T Has Had It With Copper Thieves
    7.20.13 Channel Partners The incidents are cutting off service to thousands of customers; one business customer said his phone, Internet and security-alarm service were down for four ... More Info



## **Business Tips**

How to break the mold and be an independent thinker

7.4.13 - Entrepreneur - To come up with truly creative products and unique ideas, great business leaders need to be independent thinkers. Our brains are wired to recycle ideas we've already heard from others, but you can learn to think independently, or to come up with novel ideas, with a few easy psychological tips and tools. More Info



What Helps--and Hurts--Productivity

7.12.13 - There are many factors that affect work performance, and a number of significant productivity aids and drains are highlighted in this slideshow, which emphasizes the role technology plays. More Info

How and why to be a leader (not a wannabe)

7.8.13 - Harvard Business Review Blog Network - Leadership — true leadership — is a lost art. Leaders lead us not to a place — but to a different kind of destination: to our better, truer selves. It is an act of love in the face of an uncertain world... More Info

Do You Know Your Clients' Credit Scores?

7.15.13 - CEPro - It's even more risky for a dealer playing in the subsidized entry-level alarm installation ... In the alarm industry, the analysis of credit score is down to a science. <u>More Info</u>

• Wireless: the Next Generation

7.15.13 – Baseline - The final ratification of 802.11ac isn't due for a number of months, but the standard offers enough advantages that analysts recommend upgrading to it as soon as possible. More Info

• Pixel This: No Paper!

7.15.13 – CIO Insight - Thanks to advances in software and the widespread adoption of mobility and cloud computing, it's now entirely possible for organizations to become paperless. More Info

Ten Ways to Manage Projects Successfully

6.10.13 - A significant number of project failures stem from issues relating to communications, staff management and other soft-skill shortcomings, rather than from technical issues. More Info

Unengaged Employees Hurt the Bottom Line

7.17.13 – Baseline - The majority of employees in a recent survey are not engaged, and many have such negative feelings about their job that they could disrupt productivity and lower co-worker morale. More Info

• 11 Mind-Boggling Predictions for the Digital Age

If you like tech forecasts that say "Holy cow," then look no further than Cisco's vision of what all things Internet will look like by 2017. More Info

• 7 Easy Ways To Increase Your Income With Past Clients | Smart ...

5.22.13 - smartsimplemarketing.com - Studies consistently show that clients who have purchased from you once are likely to do so again, IF they are given the opportunity to do so. More Info

How to Break the Mold and Be an Independent Thinker ...

7.4.13 - www.entrepreneur.com - Three tips to help you think independently and come up with creative solutions. More Info

## **Fire News**

KS: Wichita Mom Arrested After Found Asleep, Possibly Intoxicated ...

7.21.13 - KAKE - A Wichita mom is in jail on child endangerment charges after authorities responded to a smoke alarm call Saturday evening and found her asleep and possibly ... More Info



NC: Smoke alarm alerts homeowner to early-morning fire

7.16.13 - WSOC Charlotte - Stevens told Eyewitness News he was asleep in his room on the second floor when he heard the alarm. He said he saw the smoke, grabbed his cellphone and ... More Info

Office destroyed, four lose home during blaze that injures 3 firefighters

7.20.13 - Bloomington Pantagraph - "This morning I had a voice mail at 5:18 a.m. from our alarm company saying the ... "What I am happy is that the smoke alarms went off and alerted the tenants. More Info

• TN: Smoke alarm saves Bradley resident

7.15.13 - Cleveland Daily Banner - Recent smoke alarm installation has been proven to save lives. Bradley County fireman Jack Freeman was among a group of firefighters who helped make a ... More Info

#### **Crime News**

AB : Police seek information

7.15.13 - Lethbridge Herald - Just past 1 p.m., LRPS officers responded to an intrusion alarm at an office. Upon arrival, it was determined that a ... <u>More Info</u>

AL: Business owner says thieves strike again

7.16.13 - WALA-TV FOX10 - ... cash some some other items from behind the counter. Seng said they didn't stay inside the store very long, because they set off the alarm once they got inside. More Info



7.19.13 - al.com - Officers responded to an alarm and found someone gained entry by pushing the window air conditioning unit into the store. The offender stole property from ... <u>More Info</u>

• AR: Searcy gun store burglarized of 20 handguns

7.17.13 - THV 11 - At 2:30 a.m. July 17, officers were called to Ultimate Outdoors about an alarm. When they arrived they say a window had been shattered at the ... <u>More Info</u>

• CA: Alarm Scares Off Aspiring Market Street Bank Robber

7.17.13 - The San Francisco Appeal - A man tried to rob a bank on San Francisco's Market Street on Tuesday afternoon but got scared and ran away when an employee sounded an emergency ... More Info

CA: Brazen jewelry store robbery in Oakland caught on video

7.17.13 - abc7news.com - As soon as the robbery started, Tam's manager hit the store's silent alarm. But it would only take a total of two minutes and 21 seconds for the bandana wearing ... More Info

• CA: Livermore: Thieves drive car into jewelry outlet, steal \$100000 in ...

7.16.13 - San Jose Mercury News - Livermore police were alerted to an alarm at the Kay Jewelers inside the Paragon Outlets and arrived about 3:45 a.m. to find the full facade of the store had ... More Info

CA: Robbers Steal \$100K From Livermore Kay Jewelers Outlet

7.15.13 - NBC Bay Area - Lt. Matthew Sarsfield told NBC Bay Area that the Kay Jewelers Outlet at the new Paragon Outlet center was broken into about 3:30 a.m. An alarm sounded off at ... More Info

• DE: One suspect apprehended in Dover break-in, two sought

7.17.13 - newszap.com - Police said approximately \$500 damage was done to the business rear door, ceiling, and alarm system. Mr. Peck was arraigned at JP Court 7 in Dover and ... More Info

FL: Burglars steal \$10000 in camera equipment

7.17.13 - WTSP 10 News - ... around 7:50 p.m., the men smashed a hole in a concrete block wall behind North Tampa Photography, which activated the security alarm. <u>More Info</u>

• FL: Daytona police searching for suspects in possible antique store ...

7.20.13 - Daytona Beach News-Journal - When officers arrived, they discovered the rear glass door shattered and an alarm sounding. They then saw a glass jewelry case also shattered. Business owner ... More Info

• FL: Man accused of break-in, robbery of Delray Beach house

7.16.13 - Sun-Sentinel - The victim woke up to the beeping of her house alarm at about 11:40 p.m. on June 30, according to a city police arrest report. She was expecting her husband, ... More Info

• FL: Two Men Arrested, One At Large, For Stealing \$21000 Worth of ...

7.19.13 - NBC 6 South Florida - At about 4 a.m., Deputy Hank Juntunen was on a routine patrol when he heard an alarm going off on Commercial Boulevard. He saw two subjects running from ... More Info

GA: Hank Aaron's home burglarized, cars stolen

7.19.13 - Atlanta Journal Constitution - Aaron, 79, missed a call from his alarm company Sunday night and asked a ... An alarm panel near the home's garage had been pulled from the wall and its ... More Info

GA: Lilburn Police Looking for Attempted Burglary Suspect

7.17.13 - Patch.com - The suspect attempted to force the door open, causing the alarm to sound, Bardugon ... Hearing the alarm, the suspect ran to his car and left the parking lot. More Info

• IA: Police: Man throws food at clerk after being refused beer

7.15.13 - DesMoinesRegister.com - The victim hit the store's robbery alarm because he felt threatened and a customer apprehended Kies and held him for police, authorities said. Kies had ... More Info

KS: Two men break into mobile home lot

7.18.13 - KFDI - An audible alarm drew Wichita Police officers to a mobile home lot where they ... The alarm went off at 3:55 a.m. Thursday at Eastside Homes... More Info

• MA: Drunken-Driver Arrested, Multiple Car Break-Ins Reported

7.17.13 - Patch.com - 3:30 a.m.: Officers investigated a burglar alarm. 4:13 a.m.: Officers investigated a burglar alarm. 10:57 a.m.: A car ... More Info

• MA: Homeowner Disrupts Burglary In Progress

7.17.13 - Patch.com - At 4:47 p.m. the fire department responded to Center Village for an alarm set off by food on the stove. At 8:31 p.m. a suspicious person was reported on Heritage ... More Info



- MA: Mall Log: Multiple Shoplifters and Ambulances
  - 7.15.13 Patch.com 4:38 p.m.: A burglar alarm went off at an office building. 4:39 p.m.: A car accident occurred at Solomon Pond Mall... More Info
- MA: Police say Newton man robbed Waltham, Marlborough stores
  - 7.16.13 MetroWest Daily News ... Marlborough District Court Monday, Assistant District Attorney Brook Lane said police went to the market at 7:42 a.m. Sunday after a hold-up alarm at the store ... More Info
- ME: Westbrook man doesn't give up after first break-in fails in Houlton ...
  - 7.20.13 Bangor Daily News Craig D. Miller, 34, who grew up in Houlton, was arrested less than two hours after a burglar alarm first sounded at Cary Library, which is the building he ... More Info
- MI: Charge sought against boy, 12, after bank break-in
  - 7.16.13 minbcnews.com Officers found the boy inside a Bank of America branch just north of Detroit about 3 a.m. Friday after an alarm alerted the bank's security company. A window had ... More Info
- MI: Charges: 2 Men Steal Money, Meat From Burnsville Restaurant
  - 7.16.13 CBS Local Authorities contacted the owners, who told them they had an alarm earlier that ... A second alarm sounded at about 2:52 a.m. for the front door and dining area. More Info
- MO: Robbery attempt foiled by alert store clerk
  - 7.20.13 Daily Journal Online He said the would-be robber then ran from the store and the clerk started to chase him after pushing the panic alarm. He said he chased the man until he went in ... More Info
- MS: Ocean Springs man out on bail for commerical burglary charged ...
  - 7.17.13 Mississippi Press Sunday, Ocean Springs officer Nick Sweeney responded to an audible alarm at the Subway. After arriving ... More Info
- NC: Officer shoots, kills dog that bit another officer
  - 7.19.13 myfox8.com According to police, the officer who was bit responded around 10:30 p.m. to a house alarm. Police say the officer was approaching an open ... More Info
- NC: Police: Winston-Salem Police Officer Attacked By 2 Dogs; Officer ...
  - 7.20.13 WFMY News 2 Winston-Salem, NC A Winston-Salem police officer was attacked by several dogs, while responding to a residential alarm call on Thursday. People in that ... <u>More Info</u>
- ND: Fargo Church Burglarized, Vandalized
  - 7.16.13 Valley News Live Police are still trying to determine how the burglars got into the church. Now, the church will meet and see if surveillance cameras or even an alarm system ...More Info
- NH: Break-ins keep Goffstown police on alert
  - 7.17.13 NewHampshire.com In another break-in, a residential burglar alarm apparently scared off an intruder of a home on Monday evening, Goffsotwn police said. More Info
- NJ: Hoboken police say burglar disarms cameras, takes almost \$300 ...
  - 7.17.13 The Jersey Journal NJ.com Police were called to the store just after 8 a.m. because the burglar alarm sounded. Police said the empty cash drawer had ... More Info
- NJ: Same burglar may be responsible for string of residential break-ins ...
  - 7.20.13 NorthJersey.com He pried open a sliding back door at the other home, triggering an alarm, and ... The burglar took cash from the Julia Court house, which had an alarm system ... <u>More Info</u>
- NJ: Two Manalpan homes burglarized
  - 7.17.13 Asbury Park Press Around 10:15 p.m., an alarm at one of the houses was activated, but after an investigation, police realized that home and a second one had both been ...More Info
- NJ: Verona Police Investigating Pompton Avenue Commercial Robbery
  - 7.20.13 Patch.com According to a department statement, police responded to a burglary alarm activation at the scene at about 1:14 a.m. The responding officer found a ladder at ... <u>More Info</u>
- OH: Albany Man Charged in Athens Bank Robbery
  - 7.16.13 WOUB ... East State Street, handing the teller a napkin demanding money and instructing the teller not to activate the alarm. Arocho allegedly fled the bank with \$3,150. More Info
- ON: Jewelry and cash taken in Oakville break-in
  - 7.20.13 InsideHalton.com At around midnight, an intruder entered the business through a side entrance causing the alarm system to go off... More Info
- ON: Suspect trips house alarm while breaking and entering
  - 7.21.13 NorthernLife.ca The suspect broke into a home shortly before 4 a.m. and tripped a home alarm. The alarm company contacted a neighbour, who identified ... <u>More Info</u>
- PA: Alleged Police Impersonators Wanted In Attempted Robbery of ...
  - 7.16.13 CBS Local An alert employee quickly pushed the silent alarm to notify police the would-be robbers suspected the real police were on their way. The two imposters fled ... More Info
- PA: State Police: Perkiomen Place burglarized
  - 7.20.13 The Times Herald Police arrived at the scene at 3:38 a.m. after a report of an alarm. Troopers observed forced entry through a rear garage door. The report states it is unclear if ... More Info
- SC: Burglary at Douglas Elementary
  - 7.19.13 Edgefieldadvertiser ... the principal of the school, Bobby Turner, was alerted to suspicious activity at the learning center when the alarm company called him to say the school's alarm ... <u>More Info</u>

- SC: MBPD investigating Burglary at Phoenix Mart off Hwy 501
  7.20.13 WMBF Myrtle Beach, SC Myrtle Beach Police responded to a report of a security alarm at the Phoenix Mart around 6 a.m. Friday ... More Info
- TX: Abilene police and fire blotter
  - 7.21.13 ReporterNews.com Police officers responded to an alarm call and found a broken window and evidence of an attempted burglary. No suspect was found and the investigation ... More Info
- TX: Burglars make off with \$7000 in cigarettes from store
  - 7.17.13 abc13.com Police responded to an alarm at the Little Buddy store around 1:30am. They found the gate and front door had been pried open. More Info
- TX: Cell phones returned after man burglarizes building
  - 7.21.13 KGBT-TV The alarm at the business went off after a front glass door was shattered around 3:48 a.m. on Thursday. According to Harlingen police, an investigation revealed ... More Info
- TX: San Antonio burglary suspect takes dog along
  - 7.15.13 Pioneer Press A burglar alarm summoned officers. Police say the pair allegedly hid in some nearby bushes until the dog gave away their location by growling at approaching ... More Info
- TX: WATCH: Burglary suspect brings Chihuahua to restaurant break-in
  7.17.13 KENS 5 TV They then leave the store after ransacking the jukebox, and a burglar alarm summons officers.
  Police said the pair allegedly hid in some nearby bushes until the ... More Info
- WA: Police: Woman robbed Pendleton bank
   7.16.13 Mid Columbia Tri City Herald There was a 9 minute delay from the time the bank's employees set off an alarm to when police got the call, Roberts said. The alarm went to the bank's corporate ... More Info
- WI: String of Burglaries at Superior, Wis. ICO Stores
   7.17.13 Northland's NewsCenter Over the past two weeks, the Superior Police Department has responded to four burglary alarm calls between the ICO stores... More Info

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