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5/20/2010	0	CITY COUNCIL	READ		
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4/29/2010	0	CITY COUNCIL	SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL	Pass	
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4/28/2010	0	Committee on Public Safety	HEARING NOTICES SENT		
4/28/2010	0	Committee on Public Safety	HEARING HELD		
4/28/2010	0	Committee on Public Safety	REPORTED FAVORABLY, RULE SUSPENSION REQUESTED		
4/8/2010	0	CITY COUNCIL	Referred		
4/8/2010	0	CITY COUNCIL	Introduced	Pass	

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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 4. THE PHILADELPHIA BUILDING CONSTRUCTION
AND OCCUPANCY CODE

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SUBCODE “F” (THE PHILADELPHIA FIRE CODE)

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CHAPTER 1
ADMINISTRATION

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SECTION F-104
GENERAL AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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F-104.2 Authority at fires and other emergencies.

1. The fire department official in charge at the scene of a fire or other emergency involving the protection of life or property or any part thereof, shall have the authority to direct such operation as necessary to extinguish or control any fire, perform any rescue operation, investigate the existence of suspected or reported fires, gas leaks or other hazardous conditions or situations, or take any other action necessary in the reasonable performance of duty.

2. *The fire department official in charge at the scene of a fire or other emergency involving the protection of life or property or any part thereof, shall have the authority to direct uniformed Fire Department personnel, including but not limited to Firefighters and Fire Service Paramedics, to engage in such actions that are necessary in order to complete the assignment, including but not limited to fire rescue, fire abatement, and emergency medical services. Because of their legislative authority to act and actual participation in such operations, Fire Service Paramedics shall continue to be considered firemen for the purposes of the act of June 24, 1968 (P.L.237, No.111), referred to as the Policemen and Firemen Collective Bargaining Act.*

3. In the exercise of such power, the fire official is authorized to prohibit any person, vehicle, vessel or thing from approaching the scene and is authorized to remove, or cause to be removed or kept away from the scene, any vehicle, vessel or thing which could impede or interfere with the operations of the fire department and, in the judgment of the fire official, any person not actually and usefully employed in the extinguishing of such fire or in the preservation of property in the vicinity thereof.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.