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**Referred to the
Committee on Public Safety**

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Section 10-810 of the Philadelphia Code entitled “Weapons and Dangerous Devices,” by revising and clarifying unlawful weapons and dangerous devices and unlawful conduct, and making technical changes; all under certain terms and conditions

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 10 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 10. REGULATION OF INDIVIDUAL CONDUCT AND ACTIVITY

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CHAPTER 10-800. SAFETY

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§ 10-810. Weapons and Dangerous Devices.

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(3) Spring Guns, [Air Guns and Bows and Arrows] *Air Guns, Bows and Arrows, and other similar devices.*

(a) [No person shall sell, offer for sale at retail, or use, or possess with intent to use, any air gun, spring gun, or any implement not a firearm which forcefully impels a pellet of any kind.] *No person shall sell, offer for sale at retail, or use, possess with intent to use, cast, fire, shoot or discharge any air rifle or pistol, spring gun or pistol, compressed air*

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rifle or pistol, or other similar device not a firearm which impels with force a shot, dart or pellet whether solid, liquid or particulate matter.

(b) No person shall sell, or offer for sale, at retail, any bow and arrow, *crossbow, blowgun, slingshot, or peashooter* to any person under the age of twenty-one (21) years [unless the seller first obtains written evidence of parental consent to the proposed purchase by the minor].

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(7) Penalties.

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(b) In addition to any other penalties, any person who [sells or offers for sale at retail to a minor, any air gun, spring gun, or any implement, not a firearm, which forcefully impels a pellet of any kind, in violation of subsection] *violates subsection 10-810(3)(a),* shall have committed a Class III offense and shall be subject to the fines set forth in subsection 1-109(3), and upon referral from the Police Department, the Department of Licenses and Inspections, after providing notice and an opportunity to be heard, may suspend the commercial activity license of such person for no less than six months and no more than one year.

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SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.