

City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 260380)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Section 10-710 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Dumping of Debris and Short Dumping,” to change the standard for determining violations, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 10-700 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 10-700. REFUSE AND LITTERING

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§ 10-710. Dumping of Debris and Short Dumping.

(1) No person shall deposit, dump or cause to be placed any litter, trash, garbage, municipal waste, recyclable materials, or debris on or at:

(a) any road, street, highway, alley, public park or plaza, other public place, railroad right-of-way or into the waters of the City, except in a clearly defined public trash receptacle;

(b) the private property of another person without the prior written consent of the owner of such location and all required licenses and permits;

(c) the person's own property without all required licenses and permits.

(2) A violation of subsection (1) that is also a violation of subsection (3) may be prosecuted as a violation of subsection (3).

(3) No owner or operator of a trash, garbage or debris collection vehicle, including private automobiles and small trucks, or any other type of vehicles used to collect or transport trash, garbage or debris, or an agent of any such owner or operator, shall [knowingly] deposit or cause to be deposited the vehicle's load or any part thereof in a manner that violates subsection (1) of this Section.

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SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be effective immediately.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on June 11, 2026. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on June 23, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Elizabeth McCollum". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Elizabeth" and last name "McCollum" clearly distinguishable.

Elizabeth McCollum
Chief Clerk of the City Council