



City of Philadelphia

City Council
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**BILL NO. 240474
(As Amended 6/3/24)**

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Councilmember Driscoll

**Re-Referred to the
Committee on Licenses and Inspections**

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Service and Other Businesses”, by adding a new section regulating the hours of operation of certain establishments and providing for penalties within an area bounded by East Allegheny Avenue, Kensington Avenue, Torresdale Avenue, and Frankford Avenue, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended as follows:

CHAPTER 9-600. SERVICE AND OTHER BUSINESSES

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§9-641. Sixth District Commercial Business Hour Restriction.

(1) Definitions.

(a) Commercial Establishment. An establishment involved in the buying and selling of goods where consumers primarily purchase goods intended for consumption or use off premises, including a Food Establishment as defined in Code Section 6-102, provided however that any Food Establishment with a Restaurant Liquor License shall not be covered by this section, and further provided that this section shall not apply to a Food Establishment that serves customers exclusively from a drive-through window or any vehicle fueling station.

(2) Prohibited Conduct. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, no Commercial Establishment shall be open to the public between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. at the following streets or any other location which Council shall from time to time ordain:

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(a) The area bounded by East Allegheny Avenue, Kensington Avenue, Torresdale Avenue, and Frankford Avenue. This bounded area will include all businesses located on both sides of the boundary blocks.

(3) Penalties. The penalty for a violation of this Section shall be a fine of \$500 for each offense for each day the violation continues.

(4) Sunset Provision. The provisions of this § 9-641 shall expire December 31, 2026.

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SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.