



# City of Philadelphia

City Council  
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Philadelphia, PA 19107

**BILL NO. 210680  
(As Amended, 11/30/21)**

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**Councilmember Gilmore Richardson  
for  
Councilmember Jones and Council President Clarke**

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**Referred to the  
Committee of the Whole**

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**AN ORDINANCE**

Amending Section 21-1203 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Appointments to Citizens Police Oversight Commission," by revising the qualifications for appointment, all under certain terms and conditions.

*THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:*

TITLE 21. MISCELLANEOUS

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CHAPTER 21-1200. CITIZENS POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

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§ 21-1203. Appointments to Citizens Police Oversight Commission.

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(2) Qualifications. Members of the Commission shall meet the following requirements.

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(d) Commission members may not [be] *be*, within the five years prior to appointment: (.1) a [current or former] sworn employee of the Department; or (.2) a [current or

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former] member of a union that represents a municipal or state police [department; or a current officer of a political party.] *department*.

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(4) Selection Panel. Upon adoption of this Chapter into law, and as provided in subsection (6) ("Expiration of Terms and Vacancies"), two members of a Selection Panel shall be appointed by the Mayor and three members shall be appointed by the Council.

- (a) Qualifications of the Panel. Members of the Selection Panel must have an established background in civic and community engagement and must be residents of the City. Members may not [be] *be*: (.1) a [current or former] *current or former* sworn employee of the Department; or (.2) a [current or former] *current or former* member of a union that represents a municipal or state police [department; or a current officer of a political party.] *department*.

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**Explanation:**

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.  
*Italics* indicate new matter added.