

**City of Philadelphia** 

City Council Chief Clerk's Office 402 City Hall Philadelphia, PA 19107

### **RESOLUTION NO. 220423**

Introduced May 12, 2022

Councilmember Parker for Council President Clarke and Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

Referred to the Committee on Law and Government

## RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to create the Division of Jobs and Training Opportunities within the Department of Commerce, to provide centralized services to Philadelphians seeking jobs and training opportunities in the public or private sectors; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Under Section 6 of the First Class City Home Rule Act (Act of April 21, 1949, P.L. 665, §6, 53 P.S. §13106), an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter may be proposed by a resolution of the Council of the City of Philadelphia adopted with the concurrence of two-thirds of its elected members; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the following amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter is hereby proposed and shall be submitted to the electors of the City on an election date designated by ordinance.

Note:

*Italics* indicates matter added by this amendment. Strikethrough indicates matter deleted by this amendment.

#### ARTICLE IV

EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH—POWERS AND DUTIES The Mayor, The City Representative and Departments, Boards, Commissions and Offices under the Mayor

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#### CHAPTER 5

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RESOLUTION NO. 220423 continued

# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ITS DEPARTMENTAL BOARD

§4-500. Functions.

The Department of Commerce shall have the power and its duty shall be to perform the following functions:

- (a) Promotion of economic development activity within the City of Philadelphia. It shall promote and develop opportunities for business growth in the City and the City's commerce and industry, and shall encourage the increased use of the Port and airports of Philadelphia and Philadelphia's workforce.
- (b) Promotion of workforce development activity within the City of Philadelphia through the Division of Jobs and Training Opportunities. The Division shall provide information and programming related to job training and skills development. It shall connect Philadelphians to job training and employment opportunities in the public and private sectors. The Division of Jobs and Training Opportunities shall be led by a Deputy Director of Commerce who reports to the Director of Commerce.

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(c) Wharf, Dock and Harbor Facilities. The Department shall itself, or by contract, maintain, improve, repair and operate City wharf, dock and harbor facilities; when authorized by the Council, acquire, design and construct additional such facilities; and conduct necessary harbor cleaning, deepening, dredging and ice-breaking operations and maintain and operate equipment for such purposes. The Department may grant leases and licenses for the use of City wharf, dock and harbor facilities.

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(*d*) Airport Facilities. The Department shall itself, or by contract, maintain, improve, repair, and operate City airport facilities and equipment and when authorized by the Council acquire, design and construct additional such facilities. The Department may grant leases and licenses for use of City airport facilities.