

City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 110565)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 10-100 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Animals,” to establish provisions for the reporting of wild raccoons, and to provide for the manner of their abatement, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 10-100 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 10-100. ANIMALS.

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§ 10-106.1. Raccoons.

(1) Any person who [sees] *observes* a [live] raccoon *anywhere on property under that person's control, engaged in any nuisance activity as defined herein* [that is at large in any location in the City shall immediately] *may* report such raccoon and its location to the Animal Control Agency.

(2) Raccoons reported pursuant to subsection (1) shall be abated pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Animal Control Agency. Any such regulations shall contain provisions for the immediate employment of *abatement procedures that are proven, effective, [lawful abatement procedures] lawful, and, to the extent practicable, non-lethal.*

(3) “Nuisance Activity” for purposes of this Section shall mean any of the following:

- (a) *A raccoon destroying or damaging personal property.*
- (b) *A raccoon disturbing the peaceful enjoyment of the property by anyone inhabiting or visiting the property.*
- (c) *A raccoon that is obviously sick or diseased and poses a threat to human, farm animal, or pet safety.*

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on November 3, 2011. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on November 14, 2011.



Michael A. Decker
Chief Clerk of the City Council