

City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 171122)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 10-800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Safety,” by repealing certain provisions relating to excavations and obstructions, all under certain terms and conditions.

WHEREAS, On March 2, 2017, Philadelphia City Council adopted Resolution No. 170179, authorizing the creation of a “Special Committee on Regulatory Review and Reform” to identify archaic, superfluous, and confusing provisions in The Philadelphia Code and in departmental regulations; and to recommend revisions that streamline, clarify and enhance the City’s regulatory environment, for the purpose of accelerating the growth of well-paying jobs in Philadelphia while ensuring the safety and well-being of its residents; and

WHEREAS, The Special Committee on Regulatory Review and Reform has identified the provisions described in the title to this proposed Ordinance as non-essential and overdue for repeal; now, therefore

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 10-800 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 10-800. SAFETY.

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§ 10-803. Excavations and Obstructions.

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[(8) Any person lawfully placing any building material or any other obstruction or excavation on or across the street or sidewalk shall guard all approaches thereto by means of timber placed on trestles or in other sufficient manner, and shall place and keep thereon from sunset to sunrise a lighted lantern of red glass. Whenever such obstruction or excavation exceeds 10 feet in length or breadth one such lantern shall be placed at each end. The penalty for the violation of the provisions of this subsection (8) is a fine of \$10.]

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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 March 1, 2018. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on March 14, 2018.



Michael A. Decker
Chief Clerk of the City Council