

Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 10-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Ethnic Intimidation and Institutional Vandalism," to clarify and revise its scope and related penalties, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 10-200 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 10-200. ETHNIC INTIMIDATION AND INSTITUTIONAL VANDALISM.

§ 10-201. Definitions.

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(2) Institutional vandalism is the intentional desecration, as defined in Section 5509 of the Crime Code (18 Pa. C.S. § 5509), vandalizing, defacing, defiling or otherwise damaging (including by application of stickers or any other material) of:

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(f) any property located in any facility set forth in subsections 2(a), 2(b) or 2(c), *including, but not limited to, any headstone, grave marker, or gravesite;*

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§ 10-203. Penalties.

(1) Violation of any provision of this Chapter is subject to the monetary fines established for a Class III offense and, upon the third *successive* violation, imprisonment of up to thirty (30) days. Section 1-112 ("Notices of Violation") shall not be applicable to this Chapter. *Each act of ethnic intimidation and each act of institutional vandalism, including each act of vandalizing an individual headstone, grave marker, or gravesite, shall constitute a separate violation.*

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**Explanation:**

*Italics* indicate new matter added.