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Title:	Amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Traffic Code,” by providing for prohibitions relating to license plate flipping devices, and for penalties and enforcement, all under certain terms and conditions.				
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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result	Tally
4/3/2024	1	MAYOR	SIGNED		
3/21/2024	1	CITY COUNCIL	READ AND PASSED	Pass	17:0
3/14/2024	0	CITY COUNCIL	READ		
3/14/2024	1	CITY COUNCIL	AMENDED		
3/14/2024	1	CITY COUNCIL	ORDERED PLACED ON FINAL PASSAGE CALENDAR FOR NEXT MEETING.		
3/7/2024	0	CITY COUNCIL	SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL		
3/7/2024	0	CITY COUNCIL	READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR		
3/7/2024	0	CITY COUNCIL	ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY`S FIRST READING CALENDAR		
3/5/2024	0	Committee on Streets and Services	HEARING NOTICES SENT		
3/5/2024	0	Committee on Streets and Services	HEARING HELD		
3/5/2024	0	Committee on Streets and Services	REPORTED FAVORABLY, RULE SUSPENSION REQUESTED		
2/8/2024	0	CITY COUNCIL	Introduced and Referred		

Amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Traffic Code,” by providing for prohibitions relating to license plate flipping devices, and for penalties and enforcement, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

TITLE 12. TRAFFIC CODE

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CHAPTER 12-1100. MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS AND PENALTIES

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§ 12-1137. License Plate Flipping Device - Unlawful Conduct

(1) Definitions.

(a) License Plate Flipping Device - In this section "license plate flipping device" means a manual, electric, or mechanical device designed or adapted to be installed on a motor vehicle and:

(.1) switch between two or more license plates for the purpose of allowing a motor vehicle operator to change the license plate displayed on the operator's vehicle; or

(.2) hide a license plate from view by flipping the license plate so that the license plate number is not visible.

(b) Person - Any individual, partnership, limited partnership, association, corporation, estate or trust.

(c) Motor Vehicle - In this section a "motor vehicle" is any vehicle which is self-propelled except an electronic personal assistive mobility device or a vehicle which is propelled solely by human power.

(2) Prohibited Conduct.

(a) No person shall possess, operate any vehicle with, purchase, install, possess for the purpose of installing, manufacture, sell, offer to sell, or otherwise distribute a license plate flipping device in the City of Philadelphia.

(3) Penalties.

(a) The penalty for a violation of this Section shall be two thousand dollars ($2,000).

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

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Explanation:

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

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