

Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 10-800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Safety," by adding a new Section, entitled "Reporting Requirements Upon the Application for or Renewal of a License to Carry a Firearm," to provide for certain reporting requirements for the issuance or renewal of licenses to carry firearms within the City of Philadelphia; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 10-800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Safety," is amended by adding a new Section 10-830a to read as follows:

§10-830a. Reporting Requirements Upon the Application for or Renewal of a License to Carry a Firearm.

(1) Definitions.

(a) Application. An application for a license to carry a firearm concealed in a vehicle or on or about the person of an individual as described in 18 P.C.S.A. § 6109.

(b) Firearm. Any weapon which is designed to or may readily be converted to expel any projectile by the action of an explosive or the frame or receiver of any such weapon.

(2) Reporting Requirements.

(a) The Police Department shall require an applicant to provide the following information in a form designed by the Police Department:

(1) The name, address, occupation, place of birth of the applicant, date and hour of the application, the caliber, length of barrel, make, model and manufacturer's number of and type of all guns at the home, business or any other property leased, owned by the applicant or under the control or access of the applicant, at the time of the application.

(b) The information set forth in subsection (2)(a)(1) shall be provided to the Police Department in a form designed by the Police Department, every year, within sixty (60) days from the anniversary of the original date of application for a license to carry a firearm concealed in a vehicle or on or about the person.

(1) If the applicant no longer owns the firearm, the applicant shall update the information provided in the form provided by the Police Department within thirty (30) days of the transfer, loss or destruction of the firearm.

- (3) Exemption.
 - (a) This Section shall not apply to:

(.i) employees of the Police Department and the Philadelphia Sheriff's Department;

(.ii) retired former employees of the Police Department with respect to weapons they purchased with personal funds and which they were authorized to use in the line of duty during their period of employment with the Police Department;

(.iii) any person who meets any of the exceptions in 18 Pa.C.S.A. § 6106(b).

(b) The Police Department shall, by regulation, specify procedures whereby persons desiring to carry concealed firearms notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, may obtain certification of such exempt status, upon proving the basis of their exemption, and upon payment of a reasonable fee set by the Police Department to defray the cost of such certification process.

(4) Penalties. Any person who violates any provision of this Section shall, in addition to other penalties provided, pay a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300).

SECTION 2. Upon becoming effective, this Ordinance shall repeal Section 10-830 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Reporting Requirements Upon the Application or Renewal of a License to Carry a Firearm."