

Legislation Text

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Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter providing for the mandatory establishment and hiring of a new class of employees within the civil service system to be designated as “Public Safety Enforcement Officers,” setting forth the duties of such employees, and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, Under Section 6 of the First Class City Home Rule Act (53 P.S. §13106), an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter may be proposed by a resolution of the Council of the City of Philadelphia adopted with the concurrence of two-thirds of its elected members; now, therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the following amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter is hereby proposed and shall be submitted to the electors of the City on an election date designated by ordinance:

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter deleted by these amendments.

Bold italics indicates matter added by these amendments.

ARTICLE V
EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH - POWERS AND DUTIES
Managing Director and Departments, Boards and Commissions under his Supervision

CHAPTER 1
MANAGING DIRECTOR

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§ 5-103. Public Safety Enforcement Officers.

(a) There shall be appointed “Public Safety Enforcement Officers” within such departments as determined by the Managing Director. The duties of such officers may include the following: providing support to the Police Department to regulate the flow of traffic; enforcing, and providing such assistance as uniformed police officers may require to enforce, code provisions relating to the quality of life in the City’s neighborhoods; and carrying out such other related duties as the Managing Director may determine or as otherwise provided by ordinance. A Public Safety Enforcement Officer shall not have authority to carry a firearm or to detain or arrest any person.

(b) A minimum number of such officers shall be established by the Managing Director, or as otherwise provided by ordinance, by such job classifications as may be established pursuant to Section 7-401 (v) of this Charter. In the event that vacancies cause the total number of such officers in a particular classification to fall below the established number, such vacancies shall be filled within a reasonable period

of time not to exceed one year.

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ARTICLE VII
EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH - POWERS AND DUTIES
Personnel Director and Civil Service Commission and the Civil Service

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CHAPTER 4
CIVIL SERVICE: REGULATIONS

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§7-401. Contents

The regulations shall provide for:

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(v) The establishment within the civil service system of a class or classes of employees to be designated as “Public Safety Enforcement Officers.”

~~(v)~~ *(w)* Such other matters as may be proper and necessary.

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APPENDIX

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CHAPTER A-2

§ A-200. Schedule.

This charter shall become effective on the first Monday of January, 1952, except in the following particulars:

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(a) The first job classifications regarding Public Safety Enforcement Officers pursuant to Section 7-401(v) shall be established, and examinations created and administered for such number of positions established pursuant to Section 5-103 (“Public Safety Enforcement Officers”), within one year of adoption by the voters of the amendment adding Section 5-103 to the Charter.

(b) The first Public Safety Enforcement Officers shall be appointed no later than two months after establishment of the first eligible list for appointments.