

Legislation Text

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Amending Section 20-610 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Statement of Financial Interests," by revising the required conditions and information for filing, under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 20-600 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

TITLE 20. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

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CHAPTER 20-600. Standards of Conduct and Ethics

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§ 20-610. Statement of Financial Interests.

(1) [All individuals who are paid an annual salary pursuant to the provisions of Sections 20-303, 20-304 and 20-305 of this Chapter and all members of boards and commissions whether compensated or not] *The following individuals* shall file a statement of financial interests for the preceding calendar year with the Board of Ethics no later than the first day of May of each year that [he] *the individual* holds office and of the year after [he] *the individual* leaves such office [except that for calendar year 1983 the effective filing date shall be July 1, 1984]. All such individuals [or members] who take office after the effective filing date or less than thirty (30) days before the effective filing date must file a statement of financial interest for the preceding calendar year within thirty (30) days of taking office.

(a) *Individuals who hold City elective office;*

(b) *The Finance Director, Managing Director, City Solicitor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, and all deputy mayors;*

(c) *Heads of executive branch agencies;*

(d) *Members of the Mayor's cabinet not otherwise listed;*

(e) *Members and executive directors of boards and commissions that exercise significant powers of government, as determined by the Board of Ethics by regulation;*

(f) Any other executive branch employee whose position is designated by the Mayor in writing to the Board of Ethics.

(2) The statement of financial interests filed pursuant to this Section shall be signed under penalty of perjury and include the following information for the prior calendar year with regard to the [individual required to file the statement] *filer*:

(a) The [name, address] *name* and *City* position of the [individual required to file statement.] *filer*.

(b) The occupation or profession of the [individual required to file the statement.] *filer*.

(c) Any [direct or indirect interest in any] real estate *directly or indirectly owned in whole or in part by the filer* [which] that was sold or leased [to] *to, purchased or leased from, or subject to any condemnation proceeding by the City of Philadelphia or any [of its departments, boards, commissions, authorities or other agencies; purchased or leased from the City of Philadelphia or any of its departments, boards, commissions, authorities or other agencies; or was subject to any condemnation proceeding by the City of Philadelphia or any of its departments, boards, commissions, authorities or other agencies.] other government entity or any City-related non-profit or agency.*

(d) The name and address of each creditor to whom is owed in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and the interest rate thereon. However, loans or credit extended between members of the immediate family and mortgages securing real property which is the principal residence of the individual filing shall not be included.

(e) The name [and address] of any person who is the direct or indirect source of income [totalling] *totaling* in the aggregate five hundred dollars (\$500) or more. *Any filer whose salary is paid out of the City Treasury, not including members of boards and commission who receive compensation on a per-meeting basis, shall additionally report the amount of income received from any direct or indirect source of income totaling more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000). Election not to receive a salary that is fixed by Charter or ordinance shall not relieve a filer from their obligations pursuant to this subsection.* However, this [provision] *subsection* shall not be construed to require the divulgence of confidential information protected by statute or existing professional codes of ethics.

(f) The name [and address] of any person from whom a gift or gifts valued in the aggregate at two hundred dollars (\$200) or more were received, and the value and the circumstances of each gift. *A filer need not disclose any tickets received from the City. A filer who is an elected official must disclose tickets for public events received from a third party if the filer sells the tickets, attends the event themselves, or gives the tickets to a family member or a member of their campaign staff, but need not disclose such tickets when distributed to constituents or others for free. Records of receipt and distribution of tickets not subject to disclosure must be maintained.*

(g) The source *and amount* of any honorarium received which is in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100).

(h) [Any] *The name of any business or not-for-profit entity in which the filer holds any office, directorship or employment of any nature [whatsoever in any business entity.] whatsoever.*

(i) [Any financial interest in any] *The legal name of any business entity engaged in business for [profit.] profit in which the filer holds a financial interest of more than five percent (5%).*

(3) [Except for gifts reported under subsection 20-610(2)(f), the statement of financial interests need not include specific amounts for any of the items required to be listed.

(4) All statements of financial interest filed pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be made available *online and* for public inspections and copying during regular office hours.

(4) For purposes of this Section, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) Filer means an individual required to file a statement of financial interests pursuant to section 20-610(1).

SECTION 2. Effective date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately, except subsections 2(e) and (g), which shall take effect on January 1, 2022.