

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 9-700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Amusement Businesses,” by repealing Section 9-705 (relating to public baths), all under certain terms and conditions.

WHEREAS, On March 2, 2017, Philadelphia City Council adopted Resolution No. 170179, authorizing the creation of a “Special Committee on Regulatory Review and Reform” to identify archaic, superfluous, and confusing provisions in The Philadelphia Code and in departmental regulations; and to recommend revisions that streamline, clarify and enhance the City’s regulatory environment, for the purpose of accelerating the growth of well-paying jobs in Philadelphia while ensuring the safety and well-being of its residents; and

WHEREAS, The Special Committee on Regulatory Review and Reform has identified the provisions described in the title to this proposed Ordinance as non-essential and overdue for repeal; now, therefore

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 9-700 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 9-700. AMUSEMENT BUSINESSES.

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§ 9-705. [Public Baths.] *Reserved.*

[(1) Prohibited Activity. No person shall maintain any place for, or conduct the business of, furnishing to the public for a consideration, Turkish, Swedish, Russian or other forms of bathing in which the bather is attended by any person while bathing, or before or after bathing, and while wholly or partially nude, unless he has registered with the Department of Licenses and Inspections.

(2) Penalties. The penalty for violation of any provision of this Section is a fine of twenty-five (25) dollars, plus five (5) dollars for each day the violation continues.]

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SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.