

Council of the City of Philadelphia Office of the Chief Clerk Room 402, City Hall Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 020817)

#### RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to Section 6-400 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, relating to authorization for City Controller audits of agencies receiving appropriations from, or performing services for the City, 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:

#### ARTICLE VI EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH -POWERS AND DUTIES

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**Section 6-400. Functions.** The Auditing Department shall have the power and its duty shall be to perform the following functions:

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(c) Audits of the Financial Affairs of Officers, Departments, Boards, Commissions and Other Agencies. The Department shall audit at least annually the affairs of every officer, department, board, including the accounts of any board of directors of City trusts, and commission of the City and, as far as may be necessary, the accounts of any other agency receiving an appropriation from the City. *No contract with* 

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an agency shall be valid unless it contains a provision granting the Department the discretion to audit the affairs of the agency as authorized in this section during the term of the contract. Audits shall include all collections made on behalf of the City by an officer, department, board, commission or other agency. The accounts of police and firemen's pension funds receiving appropriations from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be audited annually. An audit report shall be made on every audit.

Special audits of the affairs of any officer, department, board, commission, or agency may be made whenever in the judgment of the City Controller they appear necessary, and shall be made whenever the Mayor shall call upon the City Controller to make them.

Copies of all audit reports made by the Auditing Department shall be promptly submitted to the Mayor and to the Council.

For purposes of this section, agency shall mean any entity which:

*a)* receives funds from the City, and either

b) is created by, or whose board of directors is in whole or part appointed by, one or more City officials or bodies; or

*c)* that is organized pursuant to legal authority granted to it by City ordinance.

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Explanation: Italics indicate new matter added.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the first of May, 2003.

Anna C. Verna PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Kenney

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Kenney, Ortiz, Cohen and Nutter