

(Bill No. 080858)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Title 6 of The Philadelphia Code ("Health Code") by revising permitting provisions and license and permit fees related to asbestos work, under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 6 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 6. HEALTH CODE.

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CHAPTER 6-600. ASBESTOS PROJECTS.

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§ 6-602. Licenses.

In order to ensure that asbestos work is properly performed so as to protect building occupants and the general public from exposure to asbestos, all qualified asbestos contractors shall be licensed.

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(4) Licenses shall be valid for one (1) year. The annual license fee shall be [three hundred seventy-five dollars (\$375.00)] *four hundred dollars* (\$400.00), plus an annual non-refundable application fee of thirty dollars (\$30.00).

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§ 6-603. Permits and Notification.

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(10) Minor Asbestos Project Notification.

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(a) No contractor or other person shall commence a minor asbestos project unless he/she has notified the Department in accordance with regulations established by the Board at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the commencement of the project. Such notification shall be accompanied by payment of a \$25.00 notification fee.

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§ 6-604. Certification.

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(2) Asbestos Project Inspectors.

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(c) Certification shall be valid for one (1) year. The annual fee shall be [one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00)] *one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00)*.

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(3) Analytical Testing Laboratories.

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(c) Certification shall be valid for one (1) year. The annual fee shall be [three hundred seventy-five dollars (\$375.00)] *four hundred dollars* (\$400.00).

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- (4) Asbestos Investigators.
- (c) Certification shall be valid for one (1) year. The annual fee shall be [one hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars] *one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00)*.

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§ 6-606. Standards for Major Asbestos Projects.

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(6) The Department may approve alternative equivalent methods for work area preparation proposed in the permit application if the methods required by this Section are not technically feasible or would cause unsafe or unhealthy conditions. A request to the Department for approval of alternative equivalent methods shall include the reasons

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for not using the methods required by this Section and a description of the proposed alternative methods. The fee for an application for an alternate method request pursuant to this subsection shall be \$25.00.

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§ 6-607. Standards for Minor, Small and Incidental Asbestos Projects.

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C. The Department may approve alternative equivalent methods for work area preparation proposed in the permit application if the methods required by this Section are not technically feasible or would cause unsafe or unhealthy conditions. A request to the Department for approval of alternative equivalent methods shall include the reasons for not using the methods required by this Section and a description of the proposed alternative methods. The fee for an application for an alternate method request pursuant to this subsection shall be \$25.00.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted. *Italics* indicate new matter added.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on December 4, 2008. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on December 8, 2008.

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Chief Clerk of the City Council