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Committee on Finance**

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Section 9-305 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Burglary, Theft and Robbery Alarm Systems," by revising the fee for alarm system registrations by eliminating the annual renewal requirement, and making related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 9. REGULATION OF BUSINESSES, TRADES AND PROFESSIONS.

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CHAPTER 9-300. COMMUNICATION.

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§9-305. Burglary, Theft and Robbery Alarm Systems.

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(2) Alarm System Registration.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any alarm user to install, operate or maintain an alarm system unless such alarm user has registered its alarm system.

(.1) All Alarm systems shall be registered on forms provided by the Department of Licenses and Inspections *at the time of installation*.

(.2) The application for alarm system registration shall contain information necessary for the enforcement of this Section and it shall be the responsibility of the alarm user to report any changes in the registration information to the Department of Licenses and Inspections within five (5) days of the change.

(.3) The [annual] fee for the alarm system registration shall be fifty (\$50.00) dollars. Where one (1) or more alarm systems protects two (2) or more premises, a separate registration is required for each premises. On and after the effective date of the necessary implementing regulations, such fee shall be paid over to and collected by the intermediary, who shall pay such fees over to the Department upon such schedule and pursuant to such procedures as the Department shall establish, by regulation.

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(4) False Alarms.

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(b) Any false alarm over seven (7) in a given registration year may, in addition to the charges per occurrence, result in the revocation of the alarm user's registration in the following manner:

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(.2) The alarm user may re-apply for registration of its alarm system in accordance with subsection (2) of this Section. Registration will be granted upon the alarm user's payment of the [annual] fee for registration, payment of any outstanding charges and certification from any alarm business approved by the Department that the alarm system is operating properly.

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SECTION 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2012.

Explanation:

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

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