



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Quality of Life, Arts & Culture
AGENDA DATE: February 14, 2024
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All
DEPARTMENT: Department of Code Compliance
EXECUTIVE: Jon Fortune

SUBJECT

An ordinance amending Chapter 7A, "Anti-Litter Regulations," of the Dallas City Code by amending Section 7A-2; **(1)** providing a revised definition for "private premises"; **(2)** providing a penalty not to exceed \$2,000.00; **(3)** providing a saving clause; **(4)** providing a severability clause; and **(5)** providing an effective date - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

Staff's goal for this amendment is to provide a revised definition for "private premises" that will allow for a streamlined enforcement on private premises and minimize confusion for residents seeking which enforcement applies for their property type. Upon approval, all litter on private premises will be addressed under Chapter 7A-18 of the Dallas City Code. Currently, depending on the property type; the Department of Code Compliance uses two different codes to address litter on private property in the city of Dallas. This use has led to training challenges, citation errors, and dismissed liens when the use of two separate codes proves redundant. In addition, property owners have struggled to understand the differences between these two codes and, which of the codes to apply to their properties.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

[The Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee was briefed by memorandum regarding this matter on October 16, 2023. <https://cityofdallas.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=12369704&GUID=B3C0FACE-DFFA-46BC-A89F-50ACF8125D56>](https://cityofdallas.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=12369704&GUID=B3C0FACE-DFFA-46BC-A89F-50ACF8125D56)

FISCAL INFORMATION

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