

Ordinance No. 304-2025

By Council Members Bishop and Griffin
(by departmental request)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

To amend Section 551.111 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No. 974-13, passed December 1, 2014, relating to setting out an excessively large quantity of waste for collection prohibited; applicability; penalty.

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That Section 551.11 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No. 974-13, passed December 1, 2014, is amended to read as follows:

551.111 Setting out an Excessively Large Quantity of Waste for Collection Prohibited; Applicability; Penalty

(a) No person shall set out for collection on a parcel's tree lawn or other designated place for collection, in a manual collection zone, a quantity of solid waste, exceeding five (5) approved waste containers, twenty (20) bags of yard waste, twenty (20) bundles of brush or tree trunks, four (4) tires, or three (3) special waste items as described in division (b) of Section 551.05.

(b) No person shall set out for collection on a parcel's tree lawn or other designated place for collection, in an automated collection zone, a quantity of solid waste exceeding twenty (20) bags of yard waste, twenty (20) bundles of brush or tree trunks, four (4) tires, or three (3) special waste items as described in division (b) of Section 551.05.

(c) No person shall set out for collection on a parcel's tree lawn or other designated place for collection, in an automated collection zone, special waste items as described in division (b) of Section 551.05 such as a mattress, couch, or furniture made of cloth fabric that is not wrapped in plastic, covering exposed surfaces.

~~(e)~~(d) *Applicability.* The offenses established in this section are applicable without regard to whether the offender:

- (1) Sets the waste out due to an eviction, a house or garage cleanout, or for any other reason;
- (2) Uses or intends to use a public or private vendor or entity for its disposal;
- (3) Sets out the waste for the purpose of staging it for eventual disposal.

~~(d)~~(e) *Penalty.* Any person who violates this section is liable for the civil infraction established under Section 551.991 and is guilty of a special misdemeanor for which the maximum penalty shall be three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00).

Section 2. That the existing Section 551.111 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No 974-13, passed December 1, 2014, is repealed.

Section 3. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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**and referred to DIRECTORS of Public Works, Finance, Law;
COMMITTEES on Municipal Services and Properties,
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