CHAPTER 10-900. CRIMINAL REGISTRATION*

§10-901. Legislative Findings.

(1) The Council finds that:

(a) Many serious crimes are committed in the City by persons who have previously been convicted of the same or similar crimes;

(b) Frequently, such crimes are committed by persons previously convicted of certain crimes, who have come to the City from other jurisdictions;

(c) The undisclosed presence of such persons within the City constitutes a serious menace to the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, morals and welfare;

(d) The danger resulting from the presence of such persons in the City can best be alleviated and controlled by the registration, photographing and fingerprinting of such criminals, under certain terms and conditions.

§10-902. Definitions.

(1) In this Chapter the following definitions apply:

(a) Crimes. Crimes shall be limited to the following: blackmail; burglary; robbery; arson; murder; kidnapping; extortion; violation of the Pennsylvania Uniform Firearms Act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872); unlawful use, sale or possession of narcotics; violations of the Mann Act of June 25, 1949, C. 645; rape; attempt to commit any of the above offenses; or a conspiracy to commit any of the above offenses.

(b) Department. The Police Department.

(c) Person. Any person who at any time hereafter or who within five years prior to the effective date of this Chapter, has pleaded guilty, nolo contendere or has been adjudged guilty of any crime as herein defined, under the laws of the United States, of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or of any state, and who has been sentenced to any term of imprisonment, parole, probation, or whose sentence has been suspended, except, however, that no person who has received a pardon shall be subject to the provisions hereof, and that with respect to any person who has been incarcerated, the five-year period shall be computed from the date of his release from incarceration.

*Added, 1957 Ordinances, p. 286, Supp. No. 4
§10-903. Registration.

(1) Every person as herein defined who is a resident of the City shall within five days of the effective date of this Chapter, and any other person as herein defined who comes into the City and who remains for more than 48 hours shall within 72 hours after his arrival register with, and furnish to the Department a statement signed by such person giving the following information:

(a) His true name and all aliases which he has used or under which he may have been known;

(b) Complete description of his person;

(c) Each crime of which he has been convicted;
(d) The place where each crime was committed and the place of each conviction;

(e) The name under which he was convicted in each instance and the date thereof;

(f) The name and the location of each prison, reformatory, jail or other penal institution in which he was confined or to which he was sentenced;

(g) The addresses of all of his residences, stopping places, living quarters or places of abode in the City, and whether each is a private residence, hotel, apartment house, or other building or structure;

(h) The length of time he has occupied each such place of residence, stopping place or place of abode, and the length of time he intends to remain in the City;

(i) Such other information as the Department shall deem necessary or desirable to carry out the purpose of this Chapter.

(2) False Information. It shall be unlawful for any person to furnish any false, untrue, or misleading information required under this Chapter.

(3) Any person required to register under this Chapter shall, for a period of five years from the date of his last becoming subject to the provisions of this Chapter, be required to notify the Department within 24 hours after he moves to a new place of residence within the City.

§10-904. Photographing and Finger Printing.

(1) At the time of registration, as required by Section 10-903, the person registering shall be photographed and fingerprinted by the Department.

§10-905. Confidential Records.

(1) The information, photographs and fingerprints required under this Chapter shall at all times be kept by the Department in a file or files separate and apart from other files and records maintained by the Department and shall not be open to inspection by the public or by any individual other than an authorized member of the Department.

(2) The Department shall have authority to transmit copies of any records obtained under this Chapter to any authorized officer of any law enforcement agency upon receiving a written request therefor.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any one to disclose, to any unauthorized individual, any information obtained pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.