[Police Code - Formula Retail Employee Rights]

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NOTE: Unchanged Code text and uncodified text are in plain Arial font. Additions to Codes are in single-underline italics Times New Roman font. Deletions to Codes are in strikethrough italics Times New Roman font. Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font. Board amendment deletions are in strikethrough Arial font. Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Background.
Ordinance No. 236-14, which created Article 33F of the Police Code, requires formula retail establishments to offer additional hours of work, when available, to current part-time employees. It also requires successor employers to retain employees for 90 days upon a change in control of the business. Ordinance No. 241-14, which created Article 33G of the Police Code, requires formula retail establishments to provide employees with two weeks’ notice of work schedules, notice of changes to work schedules, and compensation for schedule changes made on less than seven days’ notice and unused on-call shifts. It also provides part-time employees with the same starting rate of hourly pay, access to time off, and eligibility for promotions, as provided to full-time employees.

Section 2. Article 33F of the Police Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 3300F.2, 3300F.3, 3300F.10, and adding Section 3300F.19 to read as follows:

SEC. 3300F.2. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Article 33F, the following definitions apply:

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“Employer” shall mean any Person that owns or operates a Formula Retail Establishment with 20 or more Employees in the City, including corporate officers or executives, who directly or indirectly or through an agent or any other person, including through the services of a temporary services or staffing agency or similar entity, employs or exercises control over the wages, hours or working conditions of any individual. For the purpose of calculating the 20 -employee threshold referenced herein, Employees performing work in other Formula Retail Establishments in the City that are owned or operated under the same trade name by the same Employer shall be counted. Notwithstanding the foregoing definition, “Employer” does not include a Nonprofit Corporation or governmental entity.
"Formula Retail Establishment" shall mean a business located in San Francisco that falls under the Planning Code's definition of "Formula Retail Use," as amended from time to time, except that the business must have at least 20 retail sales establishments located worldwide.

SEC. 3300F.3. OFFERING ADDITIONAL WORK TO PART-TIME EMPLOYEES.

(a) Subject to the limitations herein, before hiring new Employees or using contractors or a temporary services or staffing agency to perform work in a Formula Retail Establishment, an Employer shall first offer the additional work to existing Part-time Employee(s) if: (1) the Part-time Employee(s) are qualified to do the additional work, as reasonably determined by the Employer and (2) the additional work is the same or similar to work the Employee(s) have performed for the Formula Retail Establishment. This Section 3300F.3 requires Employers to offer to Part-time Employees only the number of hours required to give the Employee 35 hours of work in a week.

(b) An Employer has discretion to divide the additional work hours among Part-time Employees consistent with this Section 3300F.3.

(c) A Part-time Employee may, but is not required to, accept the Employer's offer of additional work hours under this Section 3300F.3. The Employee shall have 72 hours to accept the additional hours, after which time the Employer may hire new Employees to work the additional hours. The 72 hours referred to in the previous sentence begins either when the Employee receives the written offer of additional hours or whenever the Employer posts the offer of additional hours described in subsection (d), whichever is later. An Employee who wishes to accept the additional hours must do so in writing.
(d) When this Section 3300F.3 requires an Employer to offer additional work hours to existing Part-time Employees, the Employer shall make the offer either in writing or by posting the offer in a conspicuous location in the workplace where notices to Employees are customarily posted. Employers are encouraged to post the electronic notice on their internal web sites in a conspicuous location. The Employer and shall retain each written offer no less than three years as required under Section 3300F.8.

(e) The requirements imposed by this Section 3300F.3 shall apply to Property Services Contractors as to work performed in San Francisco at a Formula Retail Establishment covered by this Article 33F, under a contract with an Employer. An Employer shall include in any such contract executed on or after the operative date of this Article 33F, (1) a provision requiring the Property Services Contractor to comply with this Section and (2) a copy of this Section. The Employer shall retain copies of such contracts for a period of not less than three years following the expiration or termination of the contract, and make such copies available to the Agency for inspection upon request. In addition, Sections 3300F.7, 3300F.8, 3300F.9, 3300F.10, 3300F.11, and 3300F.12 of this Article 33F shall apply to a Property Services Contractor as if it is an Employer for purposes of notice, record retention, compliance, investigation, and enforcement of the requirements of this Section 3300F.3.

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SEC. 3300F.10. INVESTIGATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT BY THE AGENCY.

(a) Authority. The Agency is authorized to take appropriate steps to enforce and coordinate enforcement of this Article 33F, including the investigation of any possible violations of this Article.

(b) Determination of Violation and Penalties.
(1) Where the Agency has reason to believe that a violation has occurred, it may order any appropriate temporary or interim relief to mitigate the violation or maintain the status quo pending completion of a full investigation, provided, however, that during the first three months following the operative date of this Article 33F, the Agency shall not order any relief but may issue warnings and notices to correct.

(2) After investigating a possible violation of this Article 33F, and providing the Employer, Incumbent Employer or Successor Employer the opportunity to respond to the allegations, if the Agency determines that a violation has occurred, it may issue a Determination of Violation. The Determination of Violation shall identify the violation and the factual basis for the determination. The Agency shall serve the Determination of Violation on the Employer, Incumbent Employer or Successor Employer by United States mail and the date of service shall be the date of mailing. In the Determination of Violation, the Agency may order any appropriate relief, provided, however, that during the first three months following the operative date of this Article 33F, the Agency shall issue only warnings and notices to correct. Thereafter, the Agency may order relief including, but not limited to, requiring a Formula Retail Employer to offer additional hours of work to Part-time Employees as required under Section 3300F.3, reinstatement, payment of lost wages to the Eligible Employee or person whose rights under this Article were violated, and the payment of an additional sum as an administrative penalty that does not exceed the amount of the award for lost wages. To compensate the City for the costs of investigating and remedying the violation, the Agency may also order the violating Employer, Incumbent Employer or Successor Employer to pay to the City an amount that does not exceed its enforcement costs.

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SEC. 3300F.19. WAIVER UNDER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT.
For Employees of Formula Retail Establishments or Property Service Contractors covered by a bona fide collective bargaining agreement, all or any portion of the applicable requirements of this Article 33F shall not apply to the extent that such requirements are expressly waived in the collective bargaining agreement in clear and unambiguous terms.

Section 3. Article 33G of the Police Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 3300G.3, 3300G.4, and 3300G.10, and adding Section 3300G.18 to read as follows:

SEC. 3300G.3. DEFINITIONS.
For purposes of this Article 33G, the following definitions apply:

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"Employer" shall mean any Person that owns or operates a Formula Retail Establishment with 20 or more Employees in the City, including corporate officers or executives, who directly or indirectly or through an agent or any other person, including through the services of a temporary services or staffing agency or similar entity, employs or exercises control over the wages, hours, or working conditions of any individual. For the purpose of calculating the 20 -employee threshold referenced herein, Employees performing work in other Formula Retail Establishments in the City that are owned or operated under the same trade name by the same Employer shall be counted. Notwithstanding the foregoing definition, "Employer" does not include a Nonprofit Corporation or governmental entity.

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"Formula Retail Establishment" shall mean a business located in San Francisco that falls under the Planning Code's definition of "Formula Retail Use," as amended from time to time, except that the business must have at least 20 retail sales establishments located worldwide.
SEC. 3300G.4. ADVANCE NOTICE OF WORK SCHEDULES AND CHANGES IN WORK SCHEDULES.

(a) Initial Estimate of Minimum Hours.

(1) Prior to the start of employment, an Employer shall provide a new Employee with a good faith estimate in writing of the Employee's expected minimum number of scheduled shifts per month, and the days and hours of those shifts. The estimate shall not include On-Call Shifts. The estimate shall not constitute a contractual offer and the Employer shall not be bound by the estimate.

(2) Prior to the start of employment, the Employee may request that the Employer modify the proposed work schedule provided under subsection (a)(1) of this Section 3300G.4. The Employer shall consider any such request, and in its sole discretion may accept or reject the request, provided that the Employer shall notify the Employee of its determination prior to the start of employment.

(b) Two Weeks' Notice of Work Schedules.

An Employer shall provide its Employees with at least two weeks' notice of their work schedules by doing one of the following at least every 14 days (on a "Biweekly Schedule"): (1) posting the work schedule in a conspicuous place at the workplace that is readily accessible and visible to all Employees, or (2) transmitting the work schedule by electronic means, so long as all Employees are given access to the electronic schedule at the workplace. For new Employees, an Employer shall provide the new Employee on his or her first day of employment with an initial work schedule that runs through the date that the next Biweekly Schedule for existing Employees is scheduled to be posted or distributed; thereafter, the Employer shall include the new Employee in an existing Biweekly Schedule with other Employees. For all Employees, the work schedule shall include any On-Call Shifts, where
applicable. If the Employer changes the work schedule after it is posted and/or transmitted, such changes shall be subject to the notice and compensation requirements set forth in subsection (c) of this Section 3300G.4.

(c) Notice and Compensation For Schedule Changes.

(1) Notice Required. An Employer shall provide an Employee notice of any change to the Employee’s schedule that has been posted or transmitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section 3300G.4. The Employer shall provide such notice by in-person conversation, telephone call, or email, text message, or other electronic communication. This notice requirement shall not apply to any schedule changes that the Employee requests, such as Employee-requested sick leave, time off, shift trades, or additional shifts.

(2) Predictability Pay For Schedule Changes. Subject to the exceptions in subsection (e) of this Section 3300G.4, an Employer shall provide an Employee with the following compensation per shift for each previously scheduled shift that the Employer moves to another date or time or cancels, or each previously unscheduled shift that the Employer requires the Employee to come into work:

(A) With less than seven days’ notice but 24 hours or more notice to the Employee, one hour of pay at the Employee’s regular hourly rate;

(B) With less than 24 hours’ notice to the Employee, two hours of pay at the Employee’s regular hourly rate for each shift of four hours or less; and

(C) With less than 24 hours’ notice to the Employee, four hours of pay at the Employee’s regular hourly rate for each shift of more than four hours.

Where the Employee is required to come into work, the compensation mandated by this subsection (c)(2) shall be in addition to the Employee’s regular pay for working that shift. This subsection (c)(2) shall not apply to On-Call Shifts.
(d) Pay for On-Call Shifts. Subject to the exceptions in subsection (e) of this Section

3300G.4, an Employer shall provide an Employee with the following compensation for each

On-Call Shift for which the Employee is required to be available but is not called in to work:

(1) Two hours of pay at the Employee's regular hourly rate for each On-Call

Shift of four hours or less; and

(2) Four hours of pay at the Employee's regular hourly rate for each On-Call

Shift of more than four hours.

This subsection (d) shall not apply when the Employee is in fact called in for the On-

Call Shift or the Employer provides the Employee with 24 hours' or more notice that the On-

Call Shift has been cancelled or moved to another date or time.

(e) Exceptions. The requirements in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section

3300G.4 shall not apply under any of the following circumstances:

(1) Operations cannot begin or continue due to threats to Employees or

property, or when civil authorities recommend that work not begin or continue;

(2) Operations cannot begin or continue because public utilities fail to

supply electricity, water, or gas, or there is a failure in the public utilities, or sewer system;

(3) Operations cannot begin or continue due to an Act of God or other

cause not within the Employer's control, for example, an earthquake or a state of emergency

declared by the Mayor or the Governor;

(4) Another Employee previously scheduled to work that shift is unable to

work due to illness, vacation, or employer-provided paid or unpaid time off where the

Employer did not receive at least seven days' notice of the absence;

(5) Another Employee previously scheduled to work that shift has not

reported to work on time and/or is fired or sent home or told to stay home as a disciplinary

action;
(6) The Employer requires the Employee to work overtime (i.e., mandatory overtime); or

(7) The Employee trades shifts with another Employee or requests from the Employer a change in shift(s), hours, or work schedule.

(f) Nothing in this Section 3300G.4 shall be construed to prohibit an Employer from providing greater advance notice of Employees' work schedules and/or changes in schedules than that required by this Section.

(g) The requirements imposed by this Section 3300G.4 shall apply to Property Services Contractors as to work performed in San Francisco at a Formula Retail Establishment covered by this Article 33G, under a contract with an Employer. An Employer shall include in any such contract executed on or after the operative date of this Article 33G, (1) a provision requiring the Property Services Contractor to comply with this Article and (2) a copy of this Article. The Employer shall retain copies of such contracts for a period of not less than three years following the expiration or termination of the contract, and make such copies available to the Agency for inspection upon request. In addition, Sections 3300G.6, 3300G.7, 3300G.9, 3300G.10, and 3300G.11 of this Article shall apply to a Property Services Contractor as if it is an Employer for purposes of notice, record retention, compliance, investigation, and enforcement of the requirements of this Section 3300G.4.

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SEC. 3300G.10. INVESTIGATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT BY THE AGENCY.

(a) Authority. The Agency is authorized to take appropriate steps to enforce and coordinate enforcement of this Article 33G, including the investigation of any possible violations of this Article.
(b) Determination of Violation and Penalties.

(1) Where the Agency has reason to believe that a violation has occurred, it may order any appropriate temporary or interim relief to mitigate the violation or maintain the status quo pending completion of a full investigation, provided, however, that during the first three months following the operative date of this Article 33G, the Agency shall not order any relief but may issue warnings and notices to correct.

(2) After investigating a possible violation of this Article 33G, and providing the Employer the opportunity to respond to the allegations, if the Agency determines that a violation has occurred, it may issue a Determination of Violation. The Determination of Violation shall identify the violation and the factual basis for the determination. The Agency shall serve the Determination of Violation on the Employer by United States mail and the date of service shall be the date of mailing. In the Determination of Violation, the Agency may order any appropriate relief, provided, however, that during the first three months following the operative date of this Article 33G, the Agency shall issue only warnings and notices to correct. Thereafter, the Agency may order relief including, but not limited to, requiring the Employer to offer payment of lost wages to the Employee or person whose rights under this Article were violated, and the payment of an additional sum as an administrative penalty in the amount of $50 to each Employee or person whose rights under this Article were violated for each day that the violation occurred or continued. To compensate the City for the costs of investigating and remediying the violation, the Agency may also order the violating Employer to pay to the City an amount that does not exceed its enforcement costs.

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SEC. 3300G.18. WAIVER UNDER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT.
For Employees of Formula Retail Establishments or Property Service Contractors covered by a bona fide collective bargaining agreement, all or any portion of the applicable requirements of this Article 33G shall not apply to the extent that such requirements are expressly waived in the collective bargaining agreement in clear and unambiguous terms.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

Section 5. In enacting this ordinance, the Board intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent part of the Police Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:
JOSHUA WHITE
Deputy City Attorney

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May 13, 2015 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

May 13, 2015 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - CONTINUED AS AMENDED

May 20, 2015 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - CONTINUED

June 03, 2015 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - CONTINUED

June 10, 2015 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

June 10, 2015 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - CONTINUED AS AMENDED

June 17, 2015 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED

June 23, 2015 Board of Supervisors - DUPLICATED

June 23, 2015 Board of Supervisors - PASSED ON FIRST READING
   Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

July 07, 2015 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED
   Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee
I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 7/7/2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Mayor

7/15/15
Date Approved