



# City of Chicago



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<b>Title:</b>	Amendment of Municipal Code Section 4-6-180 concerning hotel licensee's obligations to equip employees assigned to clean guest rooms or restrooms with panic button or notification device
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	Committee on Workforce Development and Audit

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**ORDINANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 4-6-180 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language stricken through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**4-6-180 Hotel.**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this section:

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

“Employee(s)” means any natural person who works full time or part time to clean guest rooms or restrooms at a hotel for or under the direction of the licensee or any subcontractor of the licensee for wages or salary or remuneration of any type under a contract or subcontract of employment, whether express or implied.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(e) *Legal duties.* Each license engaged in the business of hotel shall a duty to:

(1) equip employees who are assigned to ~~work in~~ clean a guest room or restroom, under circumstances where no other employee is present in such room, with a panic button or notification device. The employee may use the panic button or notification device to summon help if the employee reasonably believes that an ongoing crime, sexual harassment, sexual assault or other emergency is occurring in the employee’s presence. Panic buttons and notification devices shall be provided by the licensee at no cost to the employee;

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance is intended to clarify, rather than to change, existing law.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take full force and effect upon its passage and publication, and shall be retroactive until January 7, 2018.

  
Alderman Michelle A. Harris, 8<sup>th</sup> Ward