

ORDINANCE

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

SECTION 1. Title 5 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Chapter 5-25, as follows:

CHAPTER 5-25 NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

5-25-010 Prohibited lease terms for grocery stores, supermarkets, pharmacies, and drug stores.

Notwithstanding anything in this Code to the contrary, any lease or other private agreement that purports to prohibit a tenant operating a grocery store, supermarket, pharmacy, or drug store at any property in the City from voluntarily vacating or otherwise ceasing operations at such property while simultaneously preventing the owner of such property, by the continuing payment of rent or otherwise, from leasing to another tenant to operate another grocery store, supermarket, pharmacy, or drug store are declared to be against public policy, null, void, and unenforceable.

SECTION 2. This ordinance takes effect 10 days after passage and publication.



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