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**AMENDMENT TO PORTLAND CITY CODE
CHAPTER 5 ANIMALS AND FOWL
ARTICLE IV. KEEPING OF DOMESTICATED CHICKENS
SECTION 5-404**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND,
MAINE IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED AS FOLLOWS:**

*That Chapter 5, Section 5-404 of the Portland City Code is
hereby amended to read as follows:*

Sec. 5-404. Enclosures

. . . .

(b) Chickens shall be secured within a henhouse during non-daylight hours.

(1) Any henhouse shall be at least ~~25~~ten feet (10') from any residential structure or any other ~~premises~~structure on any adjacent lots. The ~~structure~~henhouse shall be enclosed on all sides and shall have a roof and doors. Access doors must be able to be shut and locked at night. Opening windows and vents must be covered with predator- and bird-proof wire of less than one (1) inch openings. The use of scrap, waste board, sheet metal, or similar materials is prohibited. The henhouse must be well-maintained.

(2) Henhouses shall only be located in rear yards, and shall meet zoning setbacks applicable to detached accessory structures. For a corner lot or other property where no rear yard exists, a side yard may be used as long as the setbacks for structures generally applicable in the zoning district are met. In no case may a henhouse be placed in the front yard. Henhouses are not allowed to be located in any part of a home.