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**MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL
POLICING AND SECURITY BRANCH
INFORMATION BRIEFING NOTE**

PURPOSE: For **INFORMATION** of Mike Farnworth,
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

ISSUE: COVID-19 enforcement measures.

SUMMARY:

- Increasing fines for attending and promoting non-compliant events (option 4) is the most viable means of enhancing enforcement of COVID-19 measures.
- As of July 15, 2020, failure to comply with laws designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19 are subject to the following violation tickets (VTs).
 - \$230 VTs (including 15% victim surcharge) generally apply to “patron” offences, such as not wearing a face-covering in a public place, attending a prohibited event or failing to comply with patron conditions.
 - \$2,300 VTs (including 15% victim surcharge) generally apply to “host” offences, such as organizing or hosting a prohibited event or operating a food and liquor serving premise contrary to provincial health orders.
- As an alternative to issuing a VT for a COVID-19 related offence, law enforcement may initiate a long-form prosecution. Upon conviction, the amount of the penalty is ultimately at the court’s discretion but cannot exceed the legislated maximum. As of January 8, 2021, the court may impose a penalty of up to \$10,000 and/or one year imprisonment.
- Ministry staff have been directed to examine the possibility of enhancing COVID-19 enforcement measures.

DISCUSSION:

- Based on policy analysis and legal advice, s.13; s.14
s.13; s.14
- The following options were considered:
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INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CONSIDERATIONS:

- Increased fines would not impact Treaty First Nations, the Nisga'a Nation, or Aboriginal rights and title.
- Evidence demonstrates that Indigenous Peoples are overrepresented in the justice system and face ongoing systemic racism in our communities. Dr. Bonnie Henry has stated in a news conference her office is aware that, in general, certain sections of the population are disproportionately targeted when fines are handed out, including those with disabilities, the homeless and racialized communities. Impacts on Indigenous Peoples should be considered when contemplating enhancing enforcement mechanisms.

OTHER MINISTRIES IMPACTED/CONSULTED:

- Ministry of Attorney General: Legal Services Branch has provided initial input regarding these options.

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ATTACHMENT:

Appendix A: Comparison of COVID-19 related Violation Ticket (VT) fine amounts for gatherings and events

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RE: Emails for Indigenous engagement/COVID measures

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX^{s.15}
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX, Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX
Sent: February 23, 2021 9:08:17 AM PST

Agree – not ideal, but you suggest a good approach here.

Jamie

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 8:35 AM
To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Emails for Indigenous engagement/COVID measures

Ok, this is less than optimal as I'm also trying to reduce our points of contact with FNs (too many competing priorities!). I supposed I can send the RTI notice out today and then reply to that email with the fine increase notice (if approved to move forward) and dovetail the engagement if and when it occurs.

C

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2021 5:39 PM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Emails for Indigenous engagement/COVID measures

Hi Cole – just heard from Wayne that MMF is still considering the increased COVID fine issue so need to park any consultation plans on that until we hear back – should be this week. We can proceed with engagement plans on RTI. Wayne noted that we should be generally prepared for requests for involvement in the actual drafting as this recently came up in the context of Police Act reform. Probably won't come-up for RTI but, again flagging for awareness.

Jamie

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2021 4:15 PM
To: Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Emails for Indigenous engagement/COVID measures

Yes I have discussed the approach on RTI with the DRIPA team and have LSB review on both files. I didn't reach out to the DRIPA team on the fine increase as the considerations (i.e. following the EMBC process no legal obligations) are the same as they are for RTI.

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From: Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Emails for Indigenous engagement/COVID measures

Thanks Cole, just confirming you confirmed approach with MIRR?

Sandra

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2021 2:44 PM

To: Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Emails for Indigenous engagement/COVID measures

Hello again,

I'd like to send the email below to our FN partners for engagement on the RTI and COVID-19 fee increase proposal immediately. Do you have any concerns with me doing so at this time?

For the RTI proposal we don't have CCSI approval but we know Gov is planning on introducing this session. I sent emails to inviting the insurance brokers to participate in consultations today.

For the fine increase we have been directed to make the amendment but we don't the timeline yet. I'm assuming it will be a priority.

Cheers,

C

For FNLC/Metis:

Good morning,

We are emailing to advise you that the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General is preparing legislative and regulatory amendments that, if approved/passed, would enhance compliance measures relating to COVID-19 rules.

Specifically, the amendments would:

- Enhance penalties for those who fail to pay fines for violations of COVID-19 Ministerial Orders under the *Emergency Program Act* and *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*; and
- Increase fines for specific violations of COVID-19 Ministerial Orders made under the *Emergency Program Act*.

If you would like to discuss the proposed amendments, please sign and return the attached Undertaking of Confidentiality.

Please contact Cole Winegarden at cole.winegarden@gov.bc.ca or 778-698-7133 if you have questions or would like to arrange a meeting.

For modern treaty nations:

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It is our understanding that your officials have provided the Province with overarching Undertakings of Confidentiality that will apply to these conversations. If a representative has not provided such Undertaking, but plans to be part of discussions, that person will have to sign an Undertaking before the occurrence of further engagement.

Please note that notification in accordance with the terms of your respective Final Agreements will be provided in regards to the proposal to increase fines but due to the emergency nature of COVID-19 enforcement this may occur concurrently with the regulatory change. The Province is hoping to use this forum initiate engagement on a priority basis.

Please contact Cole Winegarden at cole.winegarden@gov.bc.ca or 778-698-7133 if you have questions or would like to arrange a meeting.

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COVID fine increase FFIPP

From Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX^{s.15}
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To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX
Sent: February 23, 2021 10:29:50 AM PST

Morning,

Can we also discuss the COVID fine increase FFIP today?

C

From: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 9:31 AM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: FFIPP

Hi!

Revisions on the FFIP are done: [\\sfp.idir.bcgov\s180\S80025\PSSG PSD PolServ\Legislation Policy\Legislation PSB - 140\50 Subord Leg Dev\COVID\Offence Act \(VTAFR\)\Fine increase-events\3 Deliverables\FeeFine Issue Paper\Fee-Fine Issue Paper \(event fine increase\) v.3.docx](#)

-Sally

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2021 4:10 PM
To: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: FFIPP

See comments in the attached.

Also you can pull up-to-date stats and some tother info from the RTI RFL (attached).

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From: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2021 2:56 PM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FFIPP

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FW: COVID-19 Enforcement Update

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX
s.15
To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX
Sent: March 9, 2021 12:51:24 PM PST
Attachments: image004.jpg, image001.png, image002.png, COVID-19 Enforcement Update - Mar 5.docx

Wayne – see highlight below. When we last spoke about this, I understood we were waiting on further direction from the MO on this item following your briefing with MMF. Is that your understanding too?

Jamie

From: Sieben, Mark PSSG:EX <Mark.Sieben@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 12:34 PM
To: Duncan, Nikki PSSG:EX <Nikki.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>; Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: COVID-19 Enforcement Update

Nikki, could you please assist with coordinating a short update meeting with the MO pertaining to enforcement planning in advance of St Patricks day and Spring Break (which I understand started in a couple of districts this week and really gets under way next week). The MO agrees it will be useful for the Minister to hear about extent of discussion and planning prior the Minister's committee meeting on covid on Thursday afternoon.

Jamie, I think your attached summary is a good basis for a short update which might comment on what the engagement and discussion has been with HAs, Worksafe, police, LCRB, and others as we head into the next few weeks prior to Easter. Wayne, I understand Cole is doing some work on a fee issue paper related to patron fine increase – I expect they'd appreciate a quick update on that too.

Tara, not sure whether you or a rep from your team would be interested in joining – I'll ask Nikki to loop your office in on when the briefing happens should you wish to have someone join.

M.

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 5, 2021 3:31 PM
To: Sieben, Mark PSSG:EX <Mark.Sieben@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>; Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: COVID-19 Enforcement Update - Mar 5

Good afternoon – please see the attached update prepared by the team on activities from the week.

Thank you.

Jamie



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COVID-19 Coordinated Enforcement Activities
Week of March 1, 2021 and Planned Activities

Activities this week:

- The court hearing specific to the petition by three Fraser Valley Churches challenging the Gatherings and Events Order is scheduled to end today (Friday, March 5). The three churches were granted a variance on February 27, 2021 by the PHO allowing outdoor worship to a maximum of 25 as long as safety conditions are met. Requests for variances and exemptions are occurring more frequently. The details of these are not posted publicly and PSB has requested the details of these from the Deputy Provincial Health Officer to help to inform police, compliance and enforcement and Bylaw officers in their compliance and enforcement activities.
- PSB met with Police Leaders for a regular COVID-19 Situational Awareness/Update meeting on Wednesday. Information sharing and discussion focused on examples of recent coordinated enforcement approaches and opportunities for similar activities in future. PSB remains committed to continuing to facilitate coordinated approaches.
- Police Leaders continue to share concerns with respect to their front-line members and the roll-out of vaccines. PSB has reached out to the Acting Deputy Provincial Health Officer for additional information and consideration of a meeting with Police leaders to discuss further. PSB has again reached out to other provincial jurisdictions to understand the discussions to date between police and respective health authorities.
- BC COVID-19 Interagency Enforcement Working Group met as scheduled on Thursday. The group is comprised of Health Authorities, Police, Provincial Compliance and Enforcement, Local Bylaw Enforcement Reps, and select Provincial government ministry reps. Discussion focused on coordinated planning and multi-agency response/inspections, a draft communication tool as well as notable trends and strategies shared by various agencies.
- PSB played a lead role in coordinating resources from Vancouver Police Department, LCRB and Vancouver Coastal Health Authority who conducted joint inspections on establishments in Downtown Vancouver – Friday February 26 and Saturday February 27, 2021:
 - 40+ inspections were conducted of restaurants and bars over two days
 - The agencies split into teams and worked non-stop in what was described by agencies as a “very busy two days”
 - Environment Health Officers closed one restaurant Friday night and issued 4 tickets and 5 correction orders under their respective authorities
 - LCRB issued one violation ticket
 - Additional violation tickets were still under consideration
 - Agencies found that they had attended and, in many instances, issued violation tickets to many of the same establishments over time independent and unbeknownst of one another.

- As a result of the weekend activities, LCRB is increasing proactive inspections on Friday and Saturday evenings for the month of March. Vancouver Coastal Health will increase inspections as well as increase the number of environmental health officers on shift for this purpose. Agencies committed to advising one another when they will be going out and locations to be inspected and will seek police assistance for potential areas of concern and risk. Future coordinated activities are in process for St. Patrick's Day as well as the weekend of March 26-27.
- Building on learning from the the Whistler experience, the unified approach provided a consistent message to licensees and establishments on public health orders. The coordinated approach to the inspections is contributing to key learning among all agencies related to authorities, roles, and responsibilities. This has also become evident in other areas of the province resulting in some areas increasing communication and opting to carry-out joint inspections. This will continue to be explored at the working group table.

Planned activities:

- The District of Tofino have requested WorkSafeBC visit the area to conduct consultations with hotels and other potential areas of concern with respect to COVID-19 safety plans in anticipation of increased number of guests in the coming weeks and months. The Tofino-Long Beach Chamber of Commerce were made aware of the coordinated enforcement that occurred in Whistler as well as additional consultations WorkSafeBC had completed in the area. WorkSafeBC advise they are also planning proactive inspections ahead of St. Patrick's Day.
- PSB was made aware of a planned protest scheduled for today over Penticton city council's decision to close the Victory (emergency) Shelter. This has been heralded as a peaceful protest by the organizer in both radio and other posts. RCMP provided a media statement yesterday indicating that such gatherings are in contravention of public health orders and the organizer and attendees could be subject to violation tickets. Unfortunately, the RCMP's release did not reflect the most recent Gatherings and Events Order which allows for outdoor assemblies for the purpose of communicating a position on a matter of public interest or controversy as long as guidelines from the PHO are followed. PSB contacted the PHO to confirm the status of the guidelines and contacted the RCMP to advise of the most up to date Order. PSB has since received draft guidance from the PHO and will offer feedback. Once finalized, this guidance will be provided to police, compliance and enforcement and Bylaw officers.
- Planning, coordination, and messaging for upcoming events including St. Patrick's Day, spring break and Easter weekend is already underway and PSB will play an active role in facilitating meetings and information.
- PHO will keep PSB apprised of changes to orders. Similar orders to those that occurred prior to New Year's Eve are being contemplated such as closing establishments early or limiting alcohol sales.

RE: COVID-19 Enforcement Update

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To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX, Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX
Cc: Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX
Sent: March 9, 2021 12:58:53 PM PST
Attachments: image004.jpg, image003.png, image001.png

I just sent you a separate note Wayne to inquire about the patron fine increase. Last I heard we were awaiting further direction from the MO on that following your's and Mark's briefing with MMF a few weeks back. Cole and team put tools down in the meantime. We can tool up fairly readily if we have direction to do so. I will be prepared to provide an update and perhaps we can check-in on direction to proceed?

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Cc: Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX <Nargis.Kiewiet@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: COVID-19 Enforcement Update

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Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 12:36 PM
To: Sieben, Mark PSSG:EX <Mark.Sieben@gov.bc.ca>; Duncan, Nikki PSSG:EX <Nikki.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: RE: COVID-19 Enforcement Update

Thanks Mark, we'd be interested in attending

Tara

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Where ideas work



COVID - Fine increase IBN

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX s.15
To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX
Cc: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX
Sent: March 10, 2021 11:00:30 AM PST
Attachments: 614945 - Appendix A - Comparison of COVID-19 related VT fine amounts for gatherings and events.pdf, 614945 - IBN - COVID Enforcement Options.pdf

Hi Wayne,
As requested here is the IBN on the COVID fine increase. In the email chain is the direction we received at the time.
Cheers,
C

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 7:29 AM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX <Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Fwd: For Minister's INFORMATION: 614945 - IBN - COVID Enforcement Options
See below.
Jamie

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX" <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Date: February 16, 2021 at 7:25:53 AM PST
To: "Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX" <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>, "Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX" <Glen.Lewis@gov.bc.ca>, "Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX" <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: "Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX" <Nargis.Kiewiet@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: For Minister's INFORMATION: 614945 - IBN - COVID Enforcement Options

Info and action please
Regards
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Sent: Friday, February 12, 2021 5:51 PM
To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Duncan, Nikki PSSG:EX <Nikki.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: For Minister's INFORMATION: 614945 - IBN - COVID Enforcement Options
Noting Minister's direction so work can commence.

From: Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX <Melanie.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, February 12, 2021 4:35 PM
To: Sieben, Mark PSSG:EX <Mark.Sieben@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Maartman, William PSSG:EX <William.Maartman@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: For Minister's INFORMATION: 614945 - IBN - COVID Enforcement Options
Hi Mark,
MMF is interested in pursuing option 4. Can we discuss?
Thanks,
Melanie

From: Hahn, Andra PSSG:EX <Andra.Hahn@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: February 4, 2021 5:53 PM
To: Maartman, William PSSG:EX <William.Maartman@gov.bc.ca>; Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX <Melanie.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>; Douglas, Andrew PSSG:EX <Andrew.Douglas@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Hembree, Sara PSSG:EX <Sara.Hembree@gov.bc.ca>; Hunt, Charlotte PSSG:EX <Charlotte.Hunt@gov.bc.ca>; Dunn, Noreen PSSG:EX <Noreen.Dunn@gov.bc.ca>; McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX <Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca>; Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>; Walker, Elizabeth PSSG:EX <Elizabeth.Walker@gov.bc.ca>; PSSG Policing and Security Branch PSSG:EX <SGPSPB@gov.bc.ca>; Duncan, Nikki PSSG:EX <Nikki.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: For Minister's INFORMATION: 614945 - IBN - COVID Enforcement Options
Hello Will, Melanie and Andrew,
Please find attached an IBN that has been reviewed and approved by Deputy Solicitor General, Mark Sieben and is ***for Minister Farnworth's information and review.***

Issue:

'COVID-19 enforcement measures'

Please let me know if the Minister requires anything further.

Thank you,

Andra

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FW: \$1000 Covid Violation Ticket

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To: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 15, 2021 1:26:48 PM PDT

From: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 1:25 PM
To: Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>; Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: s.13 Covid Violation Ticket

As Per DSG direction please

Regards

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Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 12:06 PM
To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: s.13 Covid Violation Ticket

Hi Wayne – let's move forward with both the drafting instructions and the fee issue paper. s.13
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Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 10:26 AM
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Subject: RE: s.13 Covid Violation Ticket

Hello Mark

From our team

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With the Minister's approval to expedite the following is proposed:
s.13

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To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: s.13 Covid Violation Ticket

Good morning, Wayne. The MO asked me how quickly the s.13
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Could you please advise?

M

RE: increasing fines!

From Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX^{s.15}
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To: Sitter, Donna GCPE:EX, Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX, Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX
Cc: Latham, Hope GCPE:EX
Sent: March 16, 2021 1:29:56 PM PDT

Hi Donna,

We are moving this one as fast as we can but we are likely 2 – 4 weeks out. We can provide updates as it moves forward.

We are looking at increasing the fines for attending or promoting a non-complainant event from \$230^{s.13}

We have notified the BC Union of Indian Chiefs, First Nation Summit and BC Assembly of First Nations on the proposal. We meeting with them tomorrow to discuss. We will also be raising with the FNLC on Thursday. Metis Nation BC has been notified but no meetings have been requested. Notification to Treaty and Nisga'a Nation is pending.

Cheers,

C

From: Sitter, Donna GCPE:EX <Donna.Sitter@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 1:20 PM

To: Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX <Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Latham, Hope GCPE:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: increasing fines!

Thanks! We'll just need something to work from.

From: Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX <Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: March 16, 2021 1:19 PM

To: Sitter, Donna GCPE:EX <Donna.Sitter@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Latham, Hope GCPE:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: increasing fines!

Hi Donna,

Cole is working on this and I have cc'd him on this note.

Thanks, Matt

Matt Brown

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Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 1:18 PM

To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX <Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Latham, Hope GCPE:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: increasing fines!

Hi Jamie, Matt! I understand you are working on an amendment for Covid fines - please let me know when you have something to share with us so we can work on comms material – MIRR comm shop is asking too. Also do you have info on the timing of this? Thanks.

From: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX <Lauren.Mulholland@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: March 16, 2021 12:11 PM

To: Watson, Jason GCPE:EX <Jason.Watson@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX <Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca>; Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX <Sarah.Plank@gov.bc.ca>; Cowan, Cale GCPE:EX <Cale.Cowan@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Request: Communications materials about increasing fines

Hello Jason;

I understand you folks are working on a reg amendment to increase the fines for hosting gatherings that do not comply with public health orders and you will be notifying treaty FNs, FNLC and Métis Nation of BC.

Can you please share your communications materials on this when ready. When is this to come into effect – this month sometime?

Many thanks,

Lauren

Lauren Mulholland | Communications Manager

Government Communications and Public Engagement

Ministry of Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation

Cell: 250 208-0410

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Heads-up - FN Leadership Concerns with RTI and COVID fine increase

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX s.15
To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX
Cc: Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX, Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX (Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca)
Sent: March 17, 2021 4:35:01 PM PDT

Hi Wayne – just a heads-up on feedback that Cole and team received today through initial engagements with Indigenous groups on the MVA amendments and fine increases. We have a presentation at FNLC tomorrow where I expect we will hear similar and additional feedback. We will summarize for MMF along with the most up to date legal advice during our pre-brief ahead of CCSI Friday. Likely to be some interest and questions at CCSI on this as well as the legal issues.

Jamie

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Wright, Roxanne E PSSG:EX <Roxanne.Wright@gov.bc.ca>; Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>; Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX <Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FN Leadership Concerns with RTI and COVID fine increase

Afternoon,

At today's meeting the Union of BC Indian Chiefs, BC Assembly of First Nations and First Nations Summit raised concerns with ^{s.13} the Protective Measures Order fine increase. Please see below for a summary of their concerns.

General feedback:

- All enforcement disproportionately impacts Indigenous people
- New enforcement measures can worsen relationships between Indigenous people and law enforcement

Refuse to issue:

- Indigenous communities may be disproportionately impacted by RTI
 - Reliance on use of vehicles due to lack of access to public transit in some areas
 - May be unaware they are subject to RTI if notification is provided by mail due to the remoteness of their communities
 - Mail boxes can be a 30 min drive from a residence
 - Internet access is limited or non-existent
- It will be challenging to amend the Motor Vehicle Act for COVID-19 enforcement without considering other areas that need to be aligned with DRIPA
 - A wide range of concerns was identified with how the MVA scheme applies to Indigenous Peoples

Fine increase:

- Housing shortages in some Indigenous communities result in many people sharing a home; this may attract fines or threats of fines under the EPA
- Lack of vehicles and licences results in ridesharing this may attract fines or threats of fines under the EPA
 - Law enforcement has not received appropriate cultural training on these issues
- Appeal process for VTs is not as accessible for individuals in remote Indigenous communities,
 - Mail boxes can be a 30 min drive from a residence
 - Internet access is limited or non-existent

To mitigate these concerns:

- we committed to providing updated guidance to policing and law enforcement on housing and transportation issues on reserves
- we will look into our stats to see if can confirm that most COVID VTs are being issued in urban areas.

Cheers,

C.

Cole Winegarden, JD

A/Director of Legislation and Policing Programs

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RE: COVID-19 Fine increase - attending non-complaint events

From: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
To: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 19, 2021 12:48:01 PM PDT

Hi Brian,

Just to clarify, our understanding is that a police officer (or other enforcement official) does not have discretion to choose the amount of the fine for attending or promoting events. The regulation sets an amount, not a "maximum". The officer would only have discretion to either not issue a fine at all, or, if there are other simultaneous offences, issue a ticket for a more minor offence (e.g., a \$230 violation ticket for not wearing a mask in a public indoor place, if the gathering takes place in a public indoor place).

I will get this confirmed and let you know if I am wrong.

Sally Reid ♦ Senior Policy & Legislation Analyst
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From: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 12:32 PM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: COVID-19 Fine increase - attending non-complaint events

Hi Cole and yes, a higher level is a good idea^{s.12; s.13}
s.12; s.13

Thanks.

Brian

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From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 18, 2021 1:32 PM
To: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: COVID-19 Fine increase - attending non-complaint events

Hi Brian,

A couple weeks ago I advised you that we had been asked to look at increasing the fines for promoting and attending non-complaint events^{s.12; s.13}

We have asked to proceed with regulatory change immediately and Treasury Board would like confirmation that you are in support. With support from the PHO's office this request can be prioritized.

Cheers,

C

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COVID fine increase - 500 not 1000 increase

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX s.15
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s.15

To: Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX

Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX

Sent: March 22, 2021 12:33:35 PM PDT

Attachments: Fee-Fine Issue Paper (covid event fine increase).docx

Hi Billy,
s.12; s.13
been updated.
Cheers,

Please see the attached where the fine amounts have

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COVID fine increase

From Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX^{s.15}
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To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX, Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX, Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX, Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX, Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX

Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX

Sent: March 22, 2021 1:37:16 PM PDT

Good afternoon,

As per the direction from the MO all the materials related to increasing violation tickets for attending and for promoting a non-complaint event have been updated to set the increase at \$575 (including 15% surcharge)s.13; s.13; s.14

Cheers,

C

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RE: COVID fine increase

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX^{s.15}
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX
Sent: March 22, 2021 1:51:41 PM PDT

Well, one thing we can continue to count on is that we need to be nimble in the face of ever changing direction. Good work.

Jamie

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 1:37 PM

To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>; Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX <Glen.Lewis@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>; Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: COVID fine increase

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Cheers,

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RE: COVID-19 fine increase - \$575

From: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>, Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>, Henry, Bonnie HLTH:EX <Bonnie.Henry@gov.bc.ca>, Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 22, 2021 2:55:11 PM PDT

Thanks for the clarify email and call Cole.

Increasing to \$575 from \$230 is reasonable, given the reasons you mention, even without incremental steps between. There really does need to be deterrent effect and a ticket of \$575 does reflect the seriousness of some of the violations.

Thanks.

Brian

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From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 22, 2021 2:15 PM
To: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>; Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>; Henry, Bonnie HLTH:EX <Bonnie.Henry@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: COVID-19 fine increase - \$575

Hi Brain,

We had followed up on this point. Unfortunate there is no ability to set a range with the violation ticketing process. Police and law enforcement have the discretion to issue tickets and the guidance they are given is that education and prevention is the first step and violation tickets should only be issue for serious contraventions. For the most egregious offences a long-form prosecution can also be pursued.

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Please let me know if you want to discuss.

Cheers,

C.

From: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 2:05 PM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>; Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>; Henry, Bonnie HLTH:EX <Bonnie.Henry@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: COVID-19 fine increase - \$575

Hi Cole.

Increasing violation tickets from \$230 to \$575 sounds reasonable, on the previous understanding that that there could be a range of fines between \$230 and \$575 rather than all be issued at the maximum value.

Thanks.

Brian

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Sent: March 22, 2021 2:00 PM

To: Emerson, Brian P HLTH:EX <Brian.Emerson@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Reid, Sally PSSG:EX <Sally.Reid@gov.bc.ca>; Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: COVID-19 fine increase - \$575

Hi Brian,

I had previously advised you that we were going to increase the violation tickets for attending and for promoting a non-complaint event s.13; s.14

s.13; s.14

Could you confirm that the PHO's office is still supportive?

Cheers,

C

Cole Winegarden, JD

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RE: For review: COVID fine hike SNs

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
To: Latham, Hope GCPE:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 23, 2021 4:48:58 PM PDT
Attachments: SN - COVID Fine Hike - DRAFT 23Mar21.docx

Hi Hope – Cole and I have both had an opportunity to have a look and our comments and suggested revisions are reflected in the attached.

Thanks,
Jamie

From: Latham, Hope GCPE:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 3:45 PM
To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: For review: COVID fine hike SNs

Importance: High

Hey there,

We've been asked to draft some quick speaking notes for MMFs scrum for the COVID fine hike. I pulled these together from the NR and KMQA. Please let me know if you have any edits/comments/concerns.

Thanks so much!

Hope Latham

Senior Public Affairs Officer

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Speaking Notes - Minister Farnworth

Increase in COVID Fines – Media Scrum, Mar. 25/21

- Good morning/afternoon.
- I want to acknowledge that I'm speaking to you from the territory of the Lekwungen-speaking peoples, the Songhees and the Esquimalt First Nations. I'm honoured to be here on their territories.
- Over the last several months, the risk of a \$230 violation ticket ~~fine~~ has proved to not be enough to deter people from attending events or large parties.
- So, it's time for us to take further action.
- Effective immediately, ~~finer~~ violation tickets for promoting and for attending gatherings that contravene the Provincial Health Officer's orders are being raised from \$230 to \$575.

Commented [LHG1]: Timing TBC.

Commented [LJMP2]: Starts rather abruptly and without much context. Suggest a quick intro paragraph here that speaks to State of Emergency and Provincial Orders in place to help curb the spread of COVID-19.

Commented [WCP3]: Larger fines can still be imposed as a result of a long-form prosecution – up to 10g – see bullet added below

- Those who host a non-compliant gathering or event will still be subject to a \$2300 ~~fine~~ violation ticket...
- And now those who attended or promote these events may be facing a \$575 ~~fine~~ ticket.
- And with that, I want to remind British Columbians that along with advertising and selling tickets, simply sharing an event on social media can be considered promoting it.
- This ~~increased fine aimed at attending a non-compliant event~~ reflects that non-complaint events are a risky behaviour that can spread COVID-19 and jeopardize the health and safety of all British Columbians. ~~this behaviour is generally more risky than other offences.~~
- The \$230 fine will continue to apply to a range of the violation tickets, including failing to wear a face covering and failing to abide by an establishment's conditions.

- For egregious offences police and compliance and enforcement officers ~~we also~~ have the option of pursuing charges under the Emergency Program Act in court. If convicted maximum penalties are imprisonment up to one year and/or a \$10,000 fine.

- It's time ~~to be~~ stop this selfish behaviour.
Attending a noncompliant gathering or party for continuing to puts your their heath and the health and safety of others at risk ~~for attending these gatherings.~~
- Don't risk getting a hefty fine or taking COVID-19 home to your loved ones for one event or gathering.
- Thank you, and happy to take your questions.

Re: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue and COVID-19 fine increase

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
To: Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX
Cc: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX
Sent: March 25, 2021 11:26:33 AM PDT

Makes sense. Thanks.

Jamie

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2021, at 11:26 AM, Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Jamie – in discussion with Cole, we are going to send up an email to Glen and Wayne with everything before it's sent.

Sandra

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 11:25 AM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue and COVID-19 fine increase

Thanks Cole – this looks really great. WRT flagging for Fran, you plan to do that in advance of it being sent? I think that would be advisable.

Jamie

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 11:00 AM
To: Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue and COVID-19 fine increase

Morning,

MIRR and Jamie provided some good direction on this. With your approval I'll send today.

Just noting that we should flag for Fran in RSBC as well.

Cheers,

C

Good afternoon,

Thank you for taking the time to participate in the March 17, 2021 engagement session. We appreciated the opportunity to share information with you on these proposals and to hear your

thoughts and concerns. We heard that all enforcement measures impact Indigenous Peoples, that the remoteness and unique circumstances of Indigenous communities cause additional challenges and that the *Motor Vehicle Act* needs to be amended to align with the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*. Attached you will find a draft record from our meeting on March 17, 2021 that lays these concerns in more detail. If there are any inaccuracies or points that you would like to clarify in this record please let me know.

We discussed your concerns with Policing and Security Branch executive regarding enforcement of COVID-19 orders under the *Emergency Program Act*. In light of those concerns the Branch is currently in conversations with police and provincial compliance and enforcement with a view to developing additional guidance to address your concerns

After the meeting UBCIC requested a copy of the guidance document prepared for policing and law enforcement on the issuance of violation tickets under the Protective Measures (COVID-19) Order. Unfortunately I am not going to be able to share the document. The rationale for this decision is that the document was developed with a narrow purpose in mind (i.e. informing how to write valid violation tickets) and does not represent the breadth of the support and guidance that has been provided to police and provincial compliance and enforcement.

In the interests of transparency, I would also like to let you know that Government has made the decision to advance both of the proposals we discussed.

The OIC increasing the violation tickets for attending and prompting non-complaint events was deposited this morning. The ticket was increased to \$575 (inclusive of 15% victim surcharge) s.12; s.13; s.12; s.13; s.14 In our view a \$575 dollar ticket will achieve the policy objective of deterring individuals for attending non-compliant events and reduce the spread the COVID-19 while balancing the potential impact on vulnerable populations.

Direction has been provided by Cabinet to commence drafting the *Motor Vehicle Act* (MVA) amendments to enable refuse to issue of drivers and vehicle licences for persons with outstanding COVID-19 related fines. The intent is that this amendment will be introduced in the Spring 2021 legislative session. You have indicated that amendments to that Act should not be made without making other amendments to align the MVA with the UN Declaration. As discussed during our meeting the Policing and Security Branch is not the appropriate body to consider larger issues within the MVA. We have a very narrow mandate to amend the Act to enhance the collection of COVID-19 fines. We have let RoadSafetyBC know about your concerns and encourage you to continue your dialogue with them on aligning the MVA.

Sincerely,

Cole

From: Grieve, Richard IRR:EX <Richard.Grieve@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, March 24, 2021 4:57 PM
To: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue and COVID-19 fine increase

Hi Cole, here are some thoughts in green. Pleased to discuss tomorrow morning if you would like.

Regards,
Richard

From: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 24, 2021 4:37 PM

To: Grieve, Richard IRR:EX <Richard.Grieve@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue and COVID-19 fine increase

Appreciate your thoughts on how to improve this email back to the leadership groups. I don't think they are going to be all that impressed.

C

Good afternoon,

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Sincerely,

Cole

From: Andrea Glickman <andrea@ubcic.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:38 PM
To: Wright, Roxanne E PSSG:EX <Roxanne.Wright@gov.bc.ca>; metl <metl@woodwardandcompany.com>; Lucy Sager <l.sager@driveallnations.ca>; maureen.buchan <maureen.buchan@bcafn.ca>; Colin Braker <CBraker@fns.bc.ca>; Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>; Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX <Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Barker, Amy PSSG:EX <Amy.Barker@gov.bc.ca>; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX <Sandra.Sajko@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue

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Hi all,

As discussed, please find the UBCIC paper prepared by Lucy Sager "The Road to Reconciliation: UBCIC Discussion Paper on Drivers Licensing". I've also attached the recent UBCIC resolution regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

Andrea Glickman

Policy Director

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-----Original Appointment-----

From: Andrea Glickman **On Behalf Of** Wright, Roxanne E PSSG:EX
Sent: March 17, 2021 12:15 PM
To: Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond (metl@woodwardandcompany.com)
Subject: FW: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue
When: March 17, 2021 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).
Where: Skype Meeting

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Wright, Roxanne E PSSG:EX <Roxanne.Wright@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 11:19 AM
To: Wright, Roxanne E PSSG:EX; Andrea Glickman; Lucy Sager; maureen.buchan; Colin Braker; Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX; Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX
Cc: Barker, Amy PSSG:EX; Sajko, Sandra PSSG:EX
Subject: PSSG-UBCIC, FNS, BCAFN - Refuse to Issue

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Where: Skype Meeting

Update: We would also like to discuss a related proposal to increase fine amounts for certain COVID-related offences (attending and promoting attendance at a non-compliant event).

Hi everyone,

Thank you for your interest in discussing the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General's proposal to amend the Motor Vehicle Act to enable ICBC to apply "refuse to issue" on driver and vehicle licences for unpaid COVID-related fines.

Hope this time works. If not, please feel free to suggest an alternate time.

Thanks,

Roxanne Wright

Sr. Policy Analyst

Policing and Security Branch

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

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611855 - CRMA Amendments Joint Minister's DECISION

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Sent: January 4, 2021 2:59:53 PM PST
Attachments: image002.png, 611855 AG SG DBN - CRMA Amendments_.pdf, image003.png, image004.png, image001.jpg

Good afternoon,

I have attached a copy of the 611855 CRMA Amendments Decision. This has been approved by Minister Farnworth but still needs Minister Eby's signature.

Let me know if you need anything further

Thanks!



Sara Hembree

Administrative Coordinator to the
Honourable Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General
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KEY POINTS
Protective Measures (COVID-19) Order
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
January 6, 2021

Issue and Background: Order under s. 10

- On March 18, 2020, the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General declared a State of Provincial Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- On November 13, 2020, the Minister made the Food and Liquor Premises, Gatherings and Events (COVID-19) Order No 2 under the *Emergency Program Act* (EPA). This order, M416/2020, was incorporated into the *COVID 19 Related Measures Act* (CRMA).

s.14

s.13

Specifics of Proposed Protective Measures (COVID-19) Order

- Retaining the replacement order as an EPA instrument is intended to enhance compliance and enforcement:
 - Section 27 of the EPA provides an opportunity to address repeated/egregious violations of the order by allowing the courts to order a fine of up to \$10,000, rather than the lesser general \$2000 penalty in the Offence Act.
 - Simplifies ticket citations for police and other enforcement officers.
- This order will be in force on the date it is made and end on the date the current state of provincial emergency expires or is cancelled.

Key Differences

- This order differs from the previous Food and Liquor Premises, Gatherings and Events (COVID-19) Order No 2 as follows:

1. Amends the title and recital clauses to refer to “protective measures” to as a means of alleviating the affects of the pandemic. This title will be quoted on violation tickets, which will be simpler for enforcement officers.
2. New definitions (e.g., event, patron, private residence, vacation accommodation) have been added to provide certainty regarding the terms in the order. Most of the definitions take their meaning from the PHO Gatherings and Events and Food and Liquor Serving Premises orders. (Section 1.1)
3. Makes explicit that the enforcement is in relation to the written orders of the PHO. Removes incorporation by reference as “amended from time to time”, which was a sub-delegation risk in its previous form. (Section 1.2)
4. Increases transparency by:
 - Listing specific behaviours that constitute contraventions for food and liquor serving premises (Section 3):
 - A person must not operate food and liquor serving premises in contravention of the Public Health Officer’s (PHO) Food and Liquor Service Premises Order.
 - A patron must not contravene the conditions that apply to patron under the PHO Food and Liquor Service Premises Order.
 - Listing specific behaviours that constitute contraventions related to gathering and events, including behaviours associated with specific locations. This includes (Sections 4 and 5):
 - A person must not organize or host a non-compliant gathering or event, including for certainty, in a private residence or vacation accommodation.
 - A person must not permit a place to be used for a non-compliant gathering or event.
 - A person must not attend a non-compliant gathering or event.
 - A person not operate or permit to be operated the following in a manner that contravenes the PHO Gatherings and Events Order:
 - A perimeter seating vehicle or perimeter seating bus.
 - A retail business, or
 - An episodic market.
5. Clarifies that the prohibition of a person engaging in abusive or belligerent behaviour towards another person must be in relation to the other person’s efforts to comply with, to prevent, or correct contraventions of the order. ^{s.13} Continues the contravention for not following the direction of an enforcement officer. (Section 6).

**MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL
POLICING AND SECURITY BRANCH
INFORMATION BRIEFING NOTE**

PURPOSE: For **INFORMATION** of Mike Farnworth,
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

ISSUE: COVID-19 enforcement measures.

SUMMARY:

- Increasing fines for attending and promoting non-compliant events (option 4) is the most viable means of enhancing enforcement of COVID-19 measures.
- As of July 15, 2020, failure to comply with laws designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19 are subject to the following violation tickets (VTs).
 - \$230 VTs (including 15% victim surcharge) generally apply to “patron” offences, such as not wearing a face-covering in a public place, attending a prohibited event or failing to comply with patron conditions.
 - \$2,300 VTs (including 15% victim surcharge) generally apply to “host” offences, such as organizing or hosting a prohibited event or operating a food and liquor serving premise contrary to provincial health orders.
- As an alternative to issuing a VT for a COVID-19 related offence, law enforcement may initiate a long-form prosecution. Upon conviction, the amount of the penalty is ultimately at the court’s discretion but cannot exceed the legislated maximum. As of January 8, 2021, the court may impose a penalty of up to \$10,000 and/or one year imprisonment.
- Ministry staff have been directed to examine the possibility of enhancing COVID-19 enforcement measures.

DISCUSSION:

- Based on policy analysis and legal advice,^{s.13; s.14}
s.13; s.14
- The following options were considered:
s.13; s.14

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s.13; s.14

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CONSIDERATIONS:

- Increased fines would not impact Treaty First Nations, the Nisga'a Nation, or Aboriginal rights and title.
- Evidence demonstrates that Indigenous Peoples are overrepresented in the justice system and face ongoing systemic racism in our communities. Dr. Bonnie Henry has stated in a news conference her office is aware that, in general, certain sections of the population are disproportionately targeted when fines are handed out, including those with disabilities, the homeless and racialized communities. Impacts on Indigenous Peoples should be considered when contemplating enhancing enforcement mechanisms.

OTHER MINISTRIES IMPACTED/CONSULTED:

- Ministry of Attorney General: Legal Services Branch has provided initial input regarding these options.

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APPROVED February 4, 2021 BY:

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APPROVED FEBRUARY 4, 2021 BY:

Mark Sieben
Deputy Solicitor General

ATTACHMENT:

Appendix A: Comparison of COVID-19 related Violation Ticket (VT) fine amounts for gatherings and events

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FW: PSSG - Signed Decision Letter

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Sent: March 23, 2021 12:00:38 PM PDT
Attachments: d PSSG FIP Covid19 event fine increase DL.pdf
FYI

From: Ringma, Shalegh FIN:EX <Shalegh.Ringma@gov.bc.ca> **On Behalf Of** Ma, Tiffany J FIN:EX

Sent: March 23, 2021 11:30 AM

To: Minister, PSSG PSSG:EX <PSSG.Minister@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Sieben, Mark PSSG:EX <Mark.Sieben@gov.bc.ca>; Campbell, Tracy AG:EX <Tracy.Campbell@gov.bc.ca>; Botel, Gabriel FIN:EX <Gabriel.Botel@gov.bc.ca>; Thompson, Amanda FIN:EX <Amanda.Thompson@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: PSSG - Signed Decision Letter

Please find attached a signed letter from the Chair of Treasury Board.

Treasury Board Staff



Minor Meeting Date: March 23, 2021
480671

Confidential

Honourable Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General
Room 128 Parliament Buildings
Victoria BC V8V 1X4

Dear Colleague:

Re: FIP – Higher Fines for Promoting and Attending Gatherings and Events that do not Comply with COVID-19 Measures

I am writing to advise you that Treasury Board has approved your ministry's request to increase the fine for promoting and attending non-compliant gatherings and events to \$575 (fine amounts include a 15% victim surcharge) under the Violation Ticket Administrations and Fines Regulation.

Please ensure that when the Order-in-Council to establish the fee/fine has been passed by Cabinet (or other legal authority to enact the fee/fine), copies are forwarded to both your Treasury Board Analyst and to Anita Nair, Treasury Board Staff, Fiscal Planning and Estimates.

Sincerely,

Selina Robinson
Chair

cc: Mark Sieben
Deputy Solicitor General
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Tracy Campbell
Assistant Deputy Minister and Executive Financial Officer
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

FW: RUSH: For Minister's review & DECISION: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper

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Sent: March 22, 2021 1:34:05 PM PDT
Attachments: Fee-Fine Issue Paper (covid event fine increase).docx, EPA Order (attach to Fine Issue Paper).pdf

Confirming Wayne has staff revisiting the fee issue paper and drafting instructions for the OIC as discussed, Melanie. BTW, s.13 He understand there are new instructions. Wayne, Tracy Campbell is aware and will get the revised paper through TBS when ready. M.

From: Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX <Melanie.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 12:41 PM
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Subject: FW: RUSH: For Minister's review & DECISION: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper
Importance: High

Hi Mark,
As discussed, can the FF Issue Paper and OIC be updated to reflect MMF's direction to increase the violation ticket fine amount to \$575 (\$500 plus victim surcharge)?
Thanks,
Melanie

From: Hahn, Andra PSSG:EX <Andra.Hahn@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: March 19, 2021 1:30 PM
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Importance: High

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Sara:

- Mark has discussed this TB Sub with Minister Farnworth and Melanie.
- The TB Sub has been dropped into Minister's 'for signing' folder in the sharepoint.
- Kindly provide a signed copy, **indicating the option selected**, to those cc'd in this email.

Please let us know if the Minister requires anything further.

Thanks very much,

Andra

Andra Hahn

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RE: For Minister's REVIEW AND DECISION by End of Day: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper (Travel Ban)

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Sent: April 22, 2021 10:32:54 AM PDT
Attachments: Fee-Fine Issue Paper (travel ban) - ADM approved.pdf

Thanks Andra
Here is the signed TB Sub
Let us know if you need anything else
Thanks!
Sara

From: Hahn, Andra PSSG:EX <Andra.Hahn@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: April 22, 2021 9:58 AM

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Importance: High

Good morning

I am following up on this TB sub. The branch notes that *'this is urgent - EMBC's travel ban MO and OIC cant be approved until the FIP is approved'*.

Please provide and ETA or let me know if anything further is required. Staff (Heather) from EMBC and and Cole Winegarden from Police Services are available to discuss if needed.

Thanks so much,
Andra

From: Hahn, Andra PSSG:EX <Andra.Hahn@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 2:36 PM

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Subject: For Minister's REVIEW AND DECISION by End of Day: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper (Travel Ban)

Importance: High

Hello Will, Melanie and Andrew,

Please find attached a TB Sub re: ***'Fines for non-compliance with Travel Restrictions (COVID-19) Order'*** is for Minister's review and consideration. This TB Sub has been reviewed and approved by Deputy Solicitor General, Mark Sieben.

CFO, David Hoadley notes:

'Rush, a priority of the Minister and Premier's Office. Ideally, it should be signed off by the Minister today (Wednesday), but no later than Thursday noon. The Minister is planning on making an announcement for Friday.'

Sara:

- The TB Sub has been dropped into Minister's 'for signing' folder in the sharepoint.
- Please note that the decision and signed submission is **due today possible**; kindly provide a signed copy to those cc'd in this email.

Please let us know if the Minister requires anything further.

Thanks,

Andra

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Sent: March 22, 2021 6:10:18 PM PDT
Attachments: Fee-Fine Issue Paper (covid event fine increase)-signed.pdf

Approved and signed attached.

Thanks all,
Melanie

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Sent: March 22, 2021 4:42 PM

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Subject: RE: RUSH: For Minister's review & DECISION: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper

Importance: High

Hello all,

Please find attached **revised** TB Sub that have been reviewed and approved by Deputy Solicitor General, Mark Sieben.

Sara: I have replaced the documents in Minister's sharepoint with these updated ones.

Thanks

Andra

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Subject: RE: RUSH: For Minister's review & DECISION: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper

Hello all,

Please hold off on sign off; a revised note will be coming your way as soon as Mark has reviewed it.

Thank you,

Andra

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Yes

From: Hembree, Sara PSSG:EX <Sara.Hembree@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: April 22, 2021 11:03 AM
To: Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX <Melanie.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: For Minister's REVIEW AND DECISION by End of Day: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper (Travel Ban)
Recommended option??

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Subject: RE: For Minister's REVIEW AND DECISION by End of Day: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper (Travel Ban)
Hi Sara
Thanks very much; can I assume Minister chose the recommended option 1?
Andra

From: Hembree, Sara PSSG:EX <Sara.Hembree@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: RE: For Minister's REVIEW AND DECISION by End of Day: TB Sub - Fee-Fine Issue Paper (Travel Ban)
Importance: High
Good morning
I am following up on this TB sub. The branch notes that *'this is urgent - EMBC's travel ban MO and OIC cant be approved until the FIP is approved'*.
Please provide and ETA or let me know if anything further is required. Staff (Heather) from EMBC and and Cole Winegarden from Police Services are available to discuss if needed.
Thanks so much,
Andra

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Hello Will, Melanie and Andrew,

Please find attached a TB Sub re: '***Fines for non-compliance with Travel Restrictions (COVID-19) Order***' is for Minister's review and consideration. This TB Sub has been reviewed and approved by Deputy Solicitor General, Mark Sieben.

CFO, David Hoadley notes:

'Rush, a priority of the Minister and Premier's Office. Ideally, it should be signed off by the Minister today (Wednesday), but no later than Thursday noon. The Minister is planning on making an announcement for Friday.'

Sara:

- The TB Sub has been dropped into Minister's 'for signing' folder in the sharepoint.
- Please note that the decision and signed submission is ***due today possible***; kindly provide a signed copy to those cc'd in this email.

Please let us know if the Minister requires anything further.

Thanks,

Andra

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