

# YOU HAVE BEEN ISSUED A FINE

# **GEORGE NEAL:**

The House Speaker and the Sergeant-at-Arms are responsible for enforcement of House of Commons Code. You have been seen in violation of a statue cited below. Under House Code, you have a right to appeal your fine if you believe it is unjust.

CLASS OTHER (OTHER)
STATUE VIOLATED § 10-2-4(a)
REASON DISPLACEMENT, DAMAGE TO LANDSCAPING PROPERTY

AMOUNT DUE \$75
POINTS ADDED 0

**ISSUING PERSON** 

Speaker Leo W. Cavinder

MAY 24, 2022

cc: Sergeant-at-Arms Tim Cavinder

**TICKET NO. 221-06** 



# What Are My Rights?

The House has established a fine and a point system to enforce House Code and to provide consequences for such violations.

## Who Issues Tickets?

The Speaker of the House and the Sergeant-at-Arms are the only ones permitted to issues tickets. (see § 1-1-9)

# **Point System**

- The points are issued to only Members of the House and serve to removal certain privileges for a given time period when a number of points are met.
  - Anyone may be issued a fine-only ticket if a violation took place.
- Points expire one (1) year after issuance.
- The Sergeant-at-Arms is responsible for implementation and enforcement of this system.

## Classes of Fines & Points

Certain unlawful acts set the class in the Act. Others are at the discretion of the issuing officer.

- Infraction not more than \$20 and 0 points
- Misdemeanors
  - Class C not more than \$50 and 2 points
  - Class B not more than \$150 and 4 points
  - Class A not more than \$200 and 5 points
- Felonies
  - Class D not more than \$100 and 3 points
  - Class C not more than \$200 and 5 points
  - Class B not more than \$500 and 7 points
  - Class A not more than \$1,000 and 8 points

#### **Appealing Fines**

Under § 2-1-5, you have the right to appeal your fine. You must submit in writing asking to appeal within ten (10) days after getting this notice. Then, you have thirty (30) days to provide evidence and documentation to the Sergeant-at-Arms. Finally, the Sergeant-at-Arms will make a final decision within ten (10) days.

## **Collecting Fines**

The Sergeant-at-Arms may take all legal actions to collect fines. All balances must be collected within one (1) year from date of issuance.