

September 25, 2020

The Honourable Darryl Plecas Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Parliament Buildings Victoria BC V8V 1X4 Email: Speaker@leg.bc.ca

Dear Mr. Speaker

This is a report regarding a regulation made on September 20, 2020 under the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*, SBC 2020, c. 8 (CRMA). This report is presented pursuant to subsection 4 (2) of the CRMA.

Subsection 4 (4) of CRMA requires that this report be laid before the Legislative Assembly as soon as possible.

The Food and Liquor Premises, Gatherings and Events (COVID 19) Order aligns the Province's ticketing measures with the provincial health officer's (PHO) updated orders on Food and Liquor Serving Premises and Gatherings and Events, giving police and other provincial enforcement officers the ability to issue violation tickets for contraventions. Order in Council 566/2020 (B.C. Reg. 258/2020) repeals Item 23.3 (Gatherings and Events (COVID-19) Order) of Schedule 2 to the CRMA, and adds the Food and Liquor Premises, Gatherings and Events (COVID 19) Order as a new Item 23.4. Item 23.4 will be repealed 90 days after the date on which the last extension of the declaration of a state of emergency made March 18, 2020 under Section 9 (1) of the *Emergency Program Act* expires or is cancelled.

Sincerely,

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