

Night Club Overcrowding Penalty Cut from \$100K to \$40K



The owner of an overcrowded night club was fined the maximum \$100,000 for a first *Safety Codes Act* violation. The owner claimed the penalty was too harsh and the court agreed, reducing it to \$40,000. Although letting a club get overcrowded '73% beyond capacity in this case' is extremely dangerous, there were no injuries, the owner pled guilty and was already out \$20,000 after being forced to close for 3 days after the offence [*R v 1742535 Alberta Corp.*, 2018 ABPC 248 (CanLII), Oct. 24, 2018].