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## CHAPTER 408

## Public Halls Act

## 1. In this Act,

Interpre-  
tation

- (a) "owner" means a person who has in respect of premises an estate for life or a greater estate, legal or equitable, or a leasehold estate;
- (b) "public hall" means a building, including a portable building or tent with a seating capacity for over 100 persons that is offered for use or used as a place of public assembly, but does not include a theatre within the meaning of the *Theatres Act* or a building, except a tent, used solely for religious purposes. R.S.O. 1980, c. 498.
- R.S.O. 1970, c. 376, s. 1.

2.—(1) No public hall shall be offered for use or used as a place of public assembly unless the owner thereof holds a licence therefor from the city, town, village or township in which it is located, or where it is located in a city having a population of not less than 100,000, from the board of commissioners of police of the city. R.S.O. 1970, c. 376, s. 2.

Licence  
required

(2) No application for a licence for a public hall for use as a place of public assembly shall be refused until after the applicant has been afforded a hearing by the licence issuing authority. 1971, c. 50, s. 72.

Hearing

3. Any owner who contravenes subsection 2 (1) is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$500 and in default of payment of the fine imposed or in addition to such fine, to imprisonment for a term of not more than six months. R.S.O. 1970, c. 376, s. 3.

Offence

