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CHAPTER 111

The Egress from Public Buildings Act

1. In every church, school, house, hall or other building Doors of public buildings to open outwards.
   heretofore or hereafter constructed or used for holding public meetings or as a place of public resort or amusement, every outer door and every door leading from every assembly room or school room shall be hinged so that it may open outwards freely, and every gate of an outer fence, if not so hinged, shall be kept open by proper fastenings during the time the building is used for public purposes in order to facilitate the egress of the public in case of alarm from fire or other cause. R.S.O. 1937, c. 318, s. 1, amended.

2. Every congregation or society possessing corporate Liability of ecclesiastical or other bodies with corporate powers, and every trustee, incumbent, churchwarden or other person holding churches, schools or buildings used for churches or schools shall be severally liable, as trustees for such societies, congregations or schools, to the provisions of this Act. R.S.O. 1937, c. 318, s. 2.

3.—(1) Every person who owns, possesses or manages a church, school, house, hall or other building heretofore or hereafter constructed or used for holding public meetings or as a place of public resort or amusement who contravenes this Act or the regulations made under this Act shall be guilty of an offence and on summary conviction shall be liable to a penalty of not more than $50.

   (2) If the necessary changes are not made, the person offending shall be liable to a further penalty of $5 for every week succeeding that in which the information is laid.

   (3) One-half of the penalty shall be paid to the person laying the information and the other half to the corporation of the municipality within which the offence is committed. R.S.O. 1937, c. 318, s. 3, amended.

4. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations for the enforcement of this Act and the safety and convenience of persons assembled in buildings coming within this Act. R.S.O. 1937, c. 318, s. 4.