



## STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: Michael Mallinoff, City Manager

Date: November 7, 2023

Subject: R-51-23: Fines for Violating Annapolis Noise Restrictions

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### **Purpose of legislation**

The purpose of this legislation is to increase the fine for repeat violations of the City of Annapolis noise restrictions; and generally dealing with public peace and order section of the City Code.

### **Impact of legislation on operations**

This legislation is a companion to O-28-23 and adds fees for the noise violations cited in that ordinance. The impact on operations of the fee itself are two-fold. First, the assessment of the fee itself will need to be built into the overall inspection and public safety response protocols, which is a one-time effort. Second, City staff will need to then process payments of those fees to both clear the citation and record the fees appropriately in the City's financial system. The impact on operations will depend on the expected volume of infractions; note that not all investigations of noise complaints will result in citations and fines. A low to moderate number of citations may not impact operations appreciably.

### **Impact of legislation on staffing**

Since the volume of citations is unknown, the City is not planning on adding staff at this time. Departments will monitor the volume and raise this issue if it becomes necessary.

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