



City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

April 27, 2023

The Honorable City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Ordinances, at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, considered AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 17, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, subjecting violators of Chapter 12, Section 12-41.1 – Duty of Property Owners to Maintain Yard and Adjacent Areas to a graduated fine regime, and adding the offenses and associated fines to Section 17-18, Noncriminal Disposition of Violations of Certain Ordinances, Rules and Regulations; AND, Section 17-28, Chapter 40U of the Massachusetts General Laws. (Ref'd 10/14/2021) and a Report recommending Adoption of said Ordinance - April 08, 2021.) (Ref'd 10/14/2021)

On motion by Councillor Giesta and seconded by Councillor Morad, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council take "NO FURTHER ACTION" on the ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 17, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, subjecting violators of Chapter 12, Section 12-41.1 – Duty of Property Owners to Maintain Yard and Adjacent Areas to a graduated fine regime, and adding the offenses and associated fines to Section 17-18, Noncriminal Disposition of Violations of Certain Ordinances, Rules and Regulations; AND, Section 17-28, Chapter 40U of the Massachusetts General Laws, and the REPORT recommending Adoption of said Ordinance.) This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Ryan J. Pereira, Chairperson

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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-One

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 17, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions

31- 509

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of New Bedford as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter 17, Section 17-18, Noncriminal disposition of violations of certain ordinances, rules and regulations (j) is hereby amended by adding the following as offenses:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Fine</u>
12.41.1	Duty of Property owners to Maintain Yard and Adjacent Areas	
	First offense:	Written warning \$0.00
	Second offense:	\$25.00
	Third and Fourth offense:	\$50.00
	Fifth through Seventh offense:	\$75.00
	Eight through Tenth offense:	\$100.00
	Eleventh through Fourteenth offense:	\$150.00
	Fifteenth through Twentieth offense:	\$200.00
	Twenty-first through Twenty-fourth offense:	\$250.00
	Twenty-fifth or more offense:	\$300.00

Section 2. Chapter 17, Section 17-28, Chapter 40U of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following as offenses:

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Section 3.

This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43 of the General Laws.