



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

March 18, 2022

The Honorable Jill Krowinski  
The Honorable Becca Balint  
Vermont General Assembly  
Joint Rules Committee  
115 State Street  
Montpelier, Vermont 05633

Dear Speaker Krowinski and President Pro Tem Balint,

If you recall, a group of members of the Vermont General Assembly sent a letter to the Joint Rules Committee on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 respectfully requesting that the Committee follow current State of Vermont guidance and make the State House mask-optional effective immediately.

Understanding that the request was not taken up by the committee on Tuesday, but that the committee planned to put it on its next meeting's agenda, the undersigned would like to further request that the committee eliminate all COVID restrictions in place at this time at the State House.

As you are well aware, schools, businesses, state offices, and entities throughout our great state are virtually all mask-optional, capacity restriction-free, and virtually free of all COVID restrictions that had been in place earlier. They are following the science and following the guidance recommended by our own State of Vermont Health Department. The State House is the people's house and as such, we should be following the same guidance, and open our doors and committee rooms fully as we do our very important work.

So, we write today to respectfully request that at its next meeting the Joint Rules Committee eliminate all COVID restrictions in place at this time at the State House.

We again thank the Joint Rules Committee for its work throughout these last two years to ensure the safety of members, staff, and the public. You have done an admirable job. We ask now that we continue to follow the science.

Thank you very much, in advance, for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Rep. Heidi Scheuermann

Rep. Sally Achey

Rep. Scott Beck

Rep. Patrick Brennan

Rep. Tom Burditt

Rep. William Canfield

Rep. Lawrence Cupoli

Rep. Lynn Dickinson

Rep. Kenneth Goslant

Rep. Rodney Graham

Rep. James Gregoire

Rep. Lisa Hango

Rep. Robert Helm

Rep. Mark Higley

Rep. Jay Hooper

Rep. John Kascenska

Rep. Larry Labor

Rep. Robert LaClair

Rep. Wayne LaRoche

Rep. Felisha Leffler

Rep. Paul Lefebvre

Rep. Samantha Lefebvre

Rep. Christopher Mattos

Rep. Michael Marcotte

Rep. Leland Morgan

Rep. Michael Morgan

Rep. Robert Norris

Rep. Daniel Noyes

Rep. Woodman Page

Rep. Joe Parsons

Rep. Henry Pearl

Rep. Arthur Peterson

Rep. Carl Rosenquist

Rep. Butch Shaw

Rep. Laura Sibilila

Rep. Brian Smith

Rep. Vicky Strong

Rep. Tom Terenzini

Rep. Casey Toof

Rep. Matthew Walker

Rep. Terri Williams

Sen. Joe Benning

Sen. Brian Collamore

Sen. Russ Ingalls

Sen. Corey Parent

Sen. Joshua Terenzini

Sen. Rich Westman