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## **HB 2453: governmental entities; mask requirement; prohibition**

**Sponsor: Representative Carter, LD 8**

**Transmitted to the Governor**

### **Overview**

Prohibits a governmental entity from imposing any requirement to wear a face covering or mask anywhere on the premises with certain exceptions.

### **History**

Coronaviruses are a family of viruses that can cause illnesses such as the common cold, severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) and Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS). A *novel coronavirus* is a new coronavirus that has not been previously identified. The novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), has caused a worldwide pandemic of respiratory illness called COVID-19.

### **Provisions**

1. Repeals statute relating to vaccine passport prohibitions. (Sec. 1)
2. Stipulates that a governmental entity may not impose any requirement to wear a face covering or mask anywhere on the premises, except where long-standing workplace infection control and safety measures that are unrelated to COVID-19 may be required. (Sec. 2)
3. Exempts a healthcare institution established pursuant to statute from the prohibition on a mask requirement. (Sec. 2)
4. Defines *governmental entity*. (Sec. 2)

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