

STATE CAPITOL JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMISSION RESOLUTION implementing COVID-19 rules for accessing the State Capitol Complex.

Be It Resolved by the State Capitol Joint Management Commission as follows:

1. The State Capitol Joint Management Commission (“Commission”), in the interest of maintaining the health and well-being of the general public and the public employees at the State Capitol Complex, and to prevent the spread of COVID-19, to protect the health and safety of all Members of the Legislature, employees, visitors to the State Capitol Complex and/or indoor workspaces of the State Capitol Complex, and other individuals interacting with the workforce of the State Capitol Complex, the Commission implements the following rules for access to the State Capitol Complex.

2. All persons who wish to enter the Legislative State House, State House Annex and/or Legislative Staff Building/South Addition on committee days, voting sessions, quorum calls, and for any other meetings or gatherings, other than school tours, must show ID and proof of full vaccination or a negative COVID-19 PCR test conducted within the previous 72 hours. Legislative employees and security personnel who have previously provided their employer with proof of full vaccination shall not be required to provide additional proof of vaccination to attend committee days, voting sessions, quorum calls, or for any other meetings or gatherings in the Legislative State House, State House Annex and Legislative Staff Building/South Addition.

3. School tours must certify that all individuals attending the tour are fully vaccinated or have results of a negative COVID-19 PCR test conducted within the previous 72 hours.

4. As defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an individual is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 if the following criteria are met:

- a. It has been at least 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines; or
- b. It has been at least 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen vaccine.

5. If any person seeking to enter the Legislative State House, State House Annex and/or Legislative Staff Building/South Addition fails to submit proof of full vaccination or any required negative COVID-19 PCR test, they will be denied entry.

6. All individuals who wish to enter the State Capitol Complex will be required to undergo a temperature screening prior to entering the interior of any building of the State Capitol Complex pursuant to the Commission’s Resolution of October 27, 2020. The temperature screening only needs to be done the first time entering the building each day.

7. In public areas, masks must be worn by everyone in the State Capitol Complex. Security personnel who are fully vaccinated or have supplied a negative PCR test shall be permitted to remove their masks, while at their posts, when they are not interacting with members of the public. Masks shall be made available upon request.

8. During committee days and/or voting sessions, members of the public must enter through the Capitol Complex Atrium Entrance on the 3rd floor of the garage or the State House Annex West State Street entrance. The number of people in the building will be limited.

9. Eating and drinking is only allowed in private offices, the cafe, or other designated areas.

10. Persons should not come to the State Capitol Complex if they have any of these symptoms:

- o Fever or chills
- o Cough
- o Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- o Fatigue
- o Muscle or body aches
- o Headache
- o New loss of taste or smell
- o Sore throat
- o Congestion or runny nose
- o Nausea or vomiting
- o Diarrhea

11. For the gallery of the Senate Chamber and the Assembly Chamber, capacity shall be limited to 1/3 of the seats. For committee rooms, every other chair shall not be used with the unavailable chair turned around or otherwise marked as unavailable.

12. If any member of the Legislature is found to be in non-compliance with this policy, the presiding officer of that member's house will be notified and will determine whether to admit the member and under what conditions or accommodations admission will be permitted.

13. A copy of this resolution shall be posted or otherwise available at all entrances to the State Capitol Complex.

14. This resolution shall take effect on December 1, 2021.

Dated: October 26, 2021