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Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:48 AM
To: Fox, Susan; Spencer, Nadine; Everts, Todd
Subject: Submission from Joint Rules Committee

Submit Information to the Joint Rules Committee

Date: 10th December 2020 11:48

Your Full Name:

Emily Witcher

Email Address:

ewitch@yahoo.com

Subject Line:

Request regarding public health and upcoming legislative session

Your Comment:

I am writing to urgently request that all legislators and staff wear masks when convening in Montana's Capitol Building for the 2021 legislative session, and also practice social distancing whenever it is feasible. It disturbs me to see news reports showing state legislators gathering pre-session and not wearing masks indoors. This is literally the least you can do to minimize the risk of acquiring and spreading COVID-19, both within the legislature and in the community of Helena. Many myths about wearing masks have gained widespread acceptance, and these have been debunked by reputable organizations such as the Mayo Clinic: <https://www.mayoclinichealthsystem.org/hometown-health/speaking-of-health/debunked-myths-about-face-masks> Yes, wearing masks can be uncomfortable and even awkward - but these are uncomfortable times, times when so many community members are making sacrifices for the greater good in our communities. You were elected to serve the people of Montana, and this is a basic way to show your regard for our well-being. I hope you will consider this simple request. Thank you. Sincerely, Emily Witcher

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Your Full Name:

Theresa Corelli

Email Address:

theresa.corelli@gmail.com

Subject Line:

January Legislative Session - REQUEST FOR VIRTUAL MEETING

Your Comment:

I believe it is in everyone's best interest to hold the January Legislative Session virtually. This is the right thing to do in the middle of a raging pandemic.

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Your Full Name:

Mary Harter

Email Address:

mary@kayakbaja.com

Subject Line:

January Legislative Session

Your Comment:

With the access to advanced technology legislative sessions should remain on line through the course of this pandemic until deemed safe to gather in large groups again by health professionals. We do NOT want to overwhelm our health care system which is already stressed by needlessly gathering indoors to take care of business. Please force legislators to meet on line and NOT gather inside for sessions in the near future.

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Your Full Name:
Rosemary Burton

Email Address:
rosemaryburton406@gmail.com

Subject Line:
Please don't embarrass our state. Please hold the legislative session online or in masks

Your Comment:
Hi folks, looking forward to the next legislative session in the new year. I'm not looking forward to our new legislators getting sick and possibly dying from COVID-19. Please do not be an embarrassment to our state and conduct yourselves in an adult manner by wearing masks or holding your session online. Enough of this childish behavior that only sets a poor example for my children on how adults should conduct them selves during a pandemic. Thank you

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Your Full Name:

Nancy DesRosiers

Email Address:

nancy@clearpathmediationsupport.com

Subject Line:

Hold legislative sessions virtually

Your Comment:

Each large group meeting puts our community and vulnerable at risk of people dying! Please hold your upcoming sessions virtually until everyone has access to a vaccine or until the virus is no longer affecting Montanans. Thank you.

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Your Full Name:

ElinHert

Email Address:

elinhert@gmail.com

Subject Line:

In Person vs Remote Legislative Session

Your Comment:

To the Rules Committee: Please be respectful to all and honor that with an out-of-control pandemic, this is the year to use the excellent technology that we have and meet remotely. By not doing so, those who believe in following CDC guidelines or are at high risk will be alienated and not have a voice to represent their constituents. There is an excellent, safe solution for working through this unique circumstance. I suggest we use it. Thank you, Elin Hert

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Date: 9th December 2020 21:30

Your Full Name:

Leesa M. Brown

Email Address:

leesab2@hotmail.com

Subject Line:

Reducing risk of infection during legislative session

Your Comment:

Please reschedule the session, or do remotely, it is not worth risking your lives or your staff members' lives. I know there are some Repub's that will NEVER wear a mask, the selfish whiny "Christian" antimaskers just need to be AVOIDED by all the saner members. I'm an old nurse who is not very computer literate, but I was able to easily learn Zoom to help my patients talk to their families and do virtual doctor appointments. If I can learn it, any of you can.

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Your Full Name:
Hannah Shepherd

Email Address:
helliott9@gmail.com

Subject Line:
Virtual Session

Your Comment:
Given the COVID numbers within Montana, and given the exceptional challenge of consistently enforcing safe distancing and mask rules during a legislative session, I urge the Montana Legislature to meet using remote technology.

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