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H. R. 7524

To require face masks in Federal facilities to prevent the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. GARCIA of Texas (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, and Mr. COHEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To require face masks in Federal facilities to prevent the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Wear Your Mask Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. MASKS REQUIRED IN FEDERAL FACILITIES.**

6 (a) MASKS REQUIRED.—Each Federal agency shall
7 take action to ensure that an individual is required to wear
8 a face mask if such individual is—

1 (1) inside a Federal facility under the jurisdic-
2 tion of such agency; and

3 (2) within 6 feet of another individual.

4 (b) ENFORCEMENT.—A Federal agency may remove
5 or deny service to an individual who fails to wear a mask
6 in accordance with subsection (a).

7 (c) PROVISION OF MASKS.—Each Federal agency
8 shall make face masks available at each entrance to a Fed-
9 eral facility at which such agency maintains a presence.

10 (d) FUNDING.—A Federal agency shall use funds
11 otherwise appropriated to such agency to carry out this
12 section.

13 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following defi-
14 nitions apply:

15 (1) CAPITOL BUILDINGS.—The term “Capitol
16 Buildings” has the meaning given such term in sec-
17 tion 5101 of title 40, United States Code.

18 (2) FACE MASK.—The term “face mask” means
19 a mask covering both the nose and mouth that rea-
20 sonably can be expected to minimize the trans-
21 mission of SARS-CoV-2.

22 (3) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term “Federal
23 agency” has the meaning given such term in section
24 102 of title 40, United States Code, except that with
25 respect to Capitol Buildings the Office of the Archi-

1 tect of the Capitol shall be treated as the relevant
2 Federal agency.

3 (4) FEDERAL FACILITY.—The term “Federal
4 facility” means—

5 (A) a building or any part thereof owned
6 or leased by the Federal Government for use by
7 a Federal agency; and

8 (B) the Capitol Buildings or any part
9 thereof.

10 (f) TERMINATION.—The requirements of this section
11 shall cease to have effect on the date on which the Director
12 of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Dis-
13 eases determines, and publishes in the Federal Register
14 a notification of such determination, that the requirement
15 to wear a mask is no longer necessary to prevent trans-
16 mission of SARS-CoV-2.

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