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Re: OPPOSE the Continuation of Emergency Declarations and Limited Executive Orders

I OPPOSE the continuation of Emergency Declarations and Limited Executive Orders. CDC has conceded that anything other than a properly fitted N95 mask will not mitigate the spread of Covid. Furthermore, CDC does not recommend the use of N95 masks for children. So, it boggles the mind why we are wasting time and taxpayer money to hold a public hearing and subsequent legislative debate on the continuation of the mask mandate for children in schools.

Also troublesome to me, this past week, was witnessing the CEA falsely report to the State BOE that the vast majority of teachers support the continuation of the mask mandate. I and others have read testimony to the State BOE from teachers who are very concerned about the harm to children caused by mask wearing. There are numerous teachers voicing their concern in public and private forums. And, teacher groups have formed to discuss leaving the CEA.

This same nefarious activity was repeated by the CT Association of Public School Superintendents, who wrote a letter to CT Legislature asking for a 60 day extension of Lamont's school mask mandate. It seems that they would have us believe their request represents the views of the majority of the Superintendents in CT. I know for a fact it does not, because my school's Superintendent as well as others have reported that they did not reach out to Superintendents for their views.

With New Jersey and Delaware both declaring an end to their mask mandates, CT is now one of only 14 states remaining to continue holding tightly to such a draconian and tyrannical assault on freedom. It is beyond time to end the abuse.

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