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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to prohibiting certain COVID-19 mask and face covering mandates by state agencies

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 170-f 2 to read as follows:
- § 170-f. COVID-19 mask and face covering mandate. 1. No state agency 4 shall promulgate rules, regulations or any form of guidance requiring individuals under the age of eighteen who are not exhibiting COVID-19 related symptoms, as defined by the centers for disease control and prevention, to wear a mask or face covering in a public place or while participating in any recreational or organized sporting activity.
 - 2. For the purposes of this section:

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- 10 (a) "state agency" shall mean any executive department, bureau, commission, agency, board or other agency, any public authority, and the 11 judiciary and the legislature. 12
- 13 (b) "face-covering" shall include, but not be limited to, cloth masks, 14 surgical masks or N95 respirators.
- 15 (c) "public place" shall not include facilities established pursuant 16 to article twenty-eight of the public health law or private health care 17 facilities.
 - § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION -- Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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