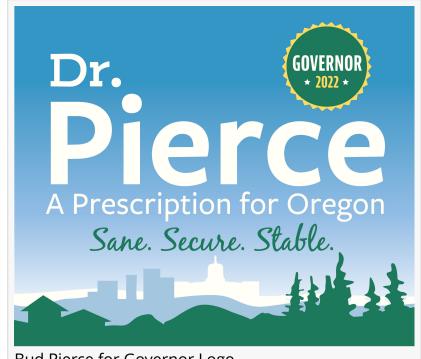


## Bud Pierce Says Government Is Hesitant to Relinquish Controls over Citizens

Continuing Oregon Statewide Mask Mandate is an Overreach of Power

SALEM, OR, UNITED STATES, February 8, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Dr. Bud Pierce, Republican candidate for Oregon Governor, spoke out today about the Oregon Health Authority's (OHA) decision to continue mask mandates. He said it demonstrates that once state government has asserted control over citizens, it is unlikely to relinquish it.

Dr. Pierce stated, "Kate Brown has been governing based on power and fear, and as a result, our freedom and safety have taken a hit. Government mandates and one-size-fits-all



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requirements never give the best results. Local control and local decision-making are always the best, with everyone pulling together."



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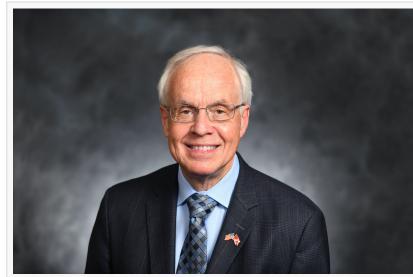
Dr. Pierce said he's skeptical that Brown's decision to continue the mandate was based on science. The efficacy of cloth masks has been debated, and places all over the country, and the world, no longer require them. Even other Democratic governors in Connecticut and New Jersey recently announced decisions to lift school mask mandates.

Dr. Pierce said that local governments, school districts, and Oregonians are speaking out, asking to make their own decisions. "The government isn't listening to the citizens,

and it's making people angry," he added.

"Brown has pursued some of the most stringent mandates and restrictions in the entire country. We've seen vaccine requirements for workers in various fields. We've seen mask requirements for children in schools. We've also seen requirements for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people to wear masks outdoors. It's time for that to end," said Dr. Pierce.

As a physician who deals with immunocompromised patients daily, Dr. Pierce is on the ground level of the pandemic and closely follows the



Dr. Bud Pierce, Republican Candidate for Oregon Governor

science of the many COVID variants and the effectiveness of upcoming treatments.

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