

State House Security Protocols

Legislative Council Action for State House Visitors and Employees

- All employees and visitors entering the State House shall be subjected to a COVID screening. The screening should cover known risk factors, symptoms, and thermal temperature scanning.

Any employee or visitor shall be denied access to the building if

- 1) Temperature exceeds the current APDH guidance; — OR —
 - 2) Deemed to be an infection risk based on GuideSafe health screening
- Persons in the State House shall wear masks, consistent with the guidance articulated by the CDC or ADPH, in all common spaces of the building and around other persons.

Members of the Senate and Staff

- Required to wear masks in all common areas.
- Thermal scan at elevator upon entry to 7th floor.
- Any visitors to 7th floor must have an appointment to visit your office and must be authorized by you or your assistant to enter your office.
- Who needs to quarantine?
 - In the event you are diagnosed with the coronavirus, exhibit symptoms associated with the coronavirus, or otherwise believe you may have the virus, you should follow APDH quarantine guidelines.
 - If you have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, you should follow ADPH quarantine guidelines.
 - CDC defines “close contact” as:
 - You were within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more
 - You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19
 - You had direct physical contact with the person (hugged or kissed them)
 - You shared eating or drinking utensils
 - They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you

- Weekly sanitization of offices, common spaces and caucus suites. Any additional cleaning available upon request.

Members of the Public

- Required to wear masks in all common areas.
- Required to conduct thermal screening and health check screening outlined above upon entry to the building.
- Members of the public will be directed to the first and third floors where the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House have made common meeting spaces available. Senate public meeting rooms on the third floor are equipped with video feeds of Senate floor or committee proceedings.
- Members of the public are allowed to meet with members in their offices as authorized by the member or their assistant.

Senate Gallery

- Open to members of the media.

Committee Meetings

- Committee meetings will be held in rooms 825, 325 (Judiciary) and 317 (new Reapportionment Committee Space). Live video feeds will be available for members of the public to view committee proceedings.
- Due to space restraints and in order to maintain adequate social distancing guidelines, committee rooms will be open with limited seating. Upon reaching designated capacity, members of the public will be able to watch committee proceedings on video feeds in public access rooms on the third floor.