

## SENATE BILL 704: COVID-19 Recovery Act, Sec. 4.3: Masks & Hoods for the Protection of Health

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OVERVIEW: Section 4.3 of S.L. 2020-3, as amended by Section 2 and Section 3 of S.L. 2020-93, clarifies that masks may be worn on certain public and private premises to ensure the physical health or safety of the wearer or others, but requires the wearer to remove that mask upon the request of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop or when the officer has reasonable suspicion or probable cause during a criminal investigation.

Section 4.3 of S.L. 2020-3 became effective May 4, 2020 and initially included an expiration date of August 1, 2020. However, Sections 2 and 3 of S.L. 2020-93, which became law July 10, 2020, clarified language regarding the wearing of mask and hoods for the protection of health and removed the August 1, 2020, expiration date initially included in Section 4.3 of S.L. 2020-3.

