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## **Oregonians Should Remember Democrat COVID Overreach**

SALEM, Ore. – For the last year, Republicans have been strong advocates for Oregonians and small businesses who have been harmed by the Governor's overbearing COVID restrictions. During this legislative session, Senate Republicans mounted several efforts to reign in the Governor's power and restore balance to government decisionmaking.

After almost every other state in the country followed the science that showed it was safe to reopen weeks or months ago, the Governor announced that Oregon will finally reopen on June 30.

Senate Republican Leader Fred Girod (R-Lyons) released the following statement:

"While there is really no need to wait until June 30, it's great news that Oregonians will finally be able to get back to normal life. Businesses and customers won't have to worry about vaccine passports anymore. Oregonians should not forget the gross abuse of power that has taken place by Democrats over the last year that locked kids out of the classroom, devastated small businesses, and threw people out of work."

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