## **OMRPWA Board & Interested Parties:**

Great news to report:

Late this afternoon Utah's Governor Cox signed into law HB081 which bans the addition of Fluoride to water supplies in the State of UTAH.

My sources tell me that the State of Florida will likely follow very soon. The Florida Surgeon General has publicly stated that adding Fluoride is "Public Health Malpractice" and urged water system to voluntarily cease the practice. My sources tell me that Florida Governor DeSantis is also opposed to adding fluoride, though I have not seen his official position in writing. More than 15 Florida systems have turned it off since the NTP report that showed it to be a Neurotoxin and the EPA lawsuit ruling that Fluoride at the current levels of .7 parts per million is an "Unreasonable Risk" especially to developing brains of children.

We are still trying to get the Arkansas Legislature informed. There are only 13 states that mandate fluoridation. Arkansas was one of the last states to adopt a mandate in 2011. This was done when many systems around the world were removing it because it was already well established that Fluoride caused much harm and little if any benefit.

Adding Fluoride is a direct violation of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act. The SDWA applies to all water systems in the US. The EPA has not been enforcing that provision of the SDWA. Enforcement of this provision is one way that RF Kennedy's team can remove it easily. Another way is for the EPA to set the Maximum Contaminant Level Goal for Fluoride to ZERO as it is for other toxic substances such as Lead and Arsenic, Fluoride is more toxic than Lead and slight less toxic than Arsenic.

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