

Rand Paul to target 'COVID cover-up' as head of Senate Homeland Security committee

Sen. Rand Paul will take over the chairmanship of the upper chamber's Homeland Security Committee starting in January after two years as the panel's top Republican — and he's told The Post he wants to uncover the truth about the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I chose to chair this committee over another because I believe that, for the health of our republic, Congress must stand up once again for its constitutional role," Paul (R-Ky.) said in an exclusive interview Wednesday. "This committee's mission of oversight and investigations is critical to Congress reasserting itself."

"I think we're on the cusp of, really, the beginning of uncovering what happened with COVID," the 61-year-old added.

After years of subpoenaing government agencies about research grants and funding related to the origins of the coronavirus, Paul believes his newfound power — coupled with a sympathetic president in the White House come Jan. 20 — will help promote transparency.

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