



Roy Cooper, Governor  
*State of North Carolina*

GOVERNOR ROY COOPER OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

***Senate Bill 593, "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, AND THE GOVERNOR MOREHEAD SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND ARE GOVERNED BY BOARDS OF TRUSTEES AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES OF THE BOARDS AND ADMISSION PROCESS FOR SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND."***

Not only is this bill blatantly unconstitutional, it continues this legislature's push to give more control of education to Boards of Trustees made up of partisan political appointees. First the legislature seized control of all UNC system trustee appointments from the Executive Branch. They did the same with two of the state's community college boards. And now, this bill removes administration of the important NC Schools for the Deaf and Blind from the State Board of Education to a newly created board with 80% of the trustees, who may or may not know how to run these schools, appointed by the legislature. The students at the schools deserve steady, knowledgeable leadership rather than becoming a part of the erosion of statewide education oversight.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roy Cooper".

Roy Cooper  
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022, at 3:39 pm for reconsideration by that body.

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Signed Sarah Holland

**SECTION 9.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act become effective July 1, 2023. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2022.



Phil Berger  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate



Tim Moore  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

**VETO**  
*Roy Cooper*

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ .m. this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

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