



Roy Cooper, Governor
State of North Carolina

GOVERNOR ROY COOPER OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

House Bill 808, "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS."

A doctor's office is no place for politicians, and North Carolina should continue to let parents and medical professionals make decisions about the best way to offer gender care for their children. Ordering doctors to stop following approved medical protocols sets a troubling precedent and is dangerous for vulnerable youth and their mental health. The government should not make itself both the parent and the doctor.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

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

Roy Cooper
Governor

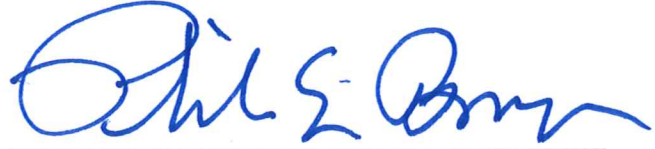
The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 5th day of July 2023, at 1:04 pm for reconsideration by that body.

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SECTION 5. Section 2 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2023, or when the bill becomes law, whichever is earlier. Sections 1 and 3 of this act become effective August 1, 2023. Subsection (c) of G.S. 143C-6-5.6, as enacted by Section 3 of this act, expires 30 days after the Memorandum and Order, dated June 10, 2022, or the permanent injunction ordered therein in *Kadel v. Folwell*, 1:19CV272 is vacated, overturned, or is no longer in force. The State Health Plan for Teachers and State Employees shall notify the Revisor of Statutes if the order or injunction is vacated, overturned, or no longer in force. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 29th day of June, 2023.



Phil Berger
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

VETO
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Tim Moore
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Roy Cooper
Governor

Approved _____ .m. this _____ day of _____, 2023

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