



Roy Cooper, Governor
State of North Carolina

GOVERNOR ROY COOPER OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

House Bill 618, "AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.."

The North Carolina Constitution clearly gives the State Board of Education the oversight authority for public schools, including charter schools. This bill is a legislative power grab that turns that responsibility over to a commission of political friends and extremists appointed by Republican legislators, making it more likely that faulty or failing charter schools will be allowed to operate and shortchange their students. Oversight of charter schools should be conducted by education experts not partisan politicians.

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 7th day of July 2023, at 1:17 PM for reconsideration by that body.

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