

## Josh Stein, Governor

## State of North Carolina

## GOVERNOR JOSH STEIN OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

House Bill 402: AN ACT TO PUT LIMITATIONS ON RULES WITH SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL COSTS.

This bill would make it harder for the state to keep people's drinking water clean from PFAS and other dangerous chemicals, their air free from toxic pollutants, and their health care facilities providing high quality care. It would impose red tape, including an unworkable unanimity requirement, that would hamstring the decision-making of agencies, boards, and commissions, making them less effective at protecting people's health, safety, and welfare.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

Governor

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The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 27 day of June 2025, at 6:16 pm for reconsideration by that body.

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