

## **SENATE BILL 389: Raise the Age for Donating Blood.**

2023-2024 General Assembly

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## **OVERVIEW:** Senate Bill 389 would increase the age requiring parental consent for blood donation from 16 years old to 18 years old.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 389 amends current law (G.S. 130A-412.31) to increase the threshold from 16 years to 18 years of age for requiring consent of the parent or guardian before donating blood to an individual, hospital, blood bank, or blood collection center. Current law already provides that it is unlawful for a person under the age of 18 to sell blood.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill would become effective when it becomes law.

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