

Josh Stein, Governor

## State of North Carolina

GOVERNOR JOSH STEIN OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

Senate Bill 227: AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.

Our diversity is our strength. We should not whitewash history, ban books, or treat our teachers with distrust and disdain. Rather than fearing differing viewpoints and cracking down on free speech, we should ensure our students can learn from diverse perspectives and form their own opinions.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

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Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 3 day of July 2025, at 10:25 atm. for reconsideration by that body.

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Date 7-3-25 Time 10:25 a.m. Signed Aaral Holland

SECTION 6. This act is effective when it becomes law. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

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Rachel Hunt President of the Senate

Destin Hall Speaker of the House of Representatives



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Approved \_\_\_\_\_\_.m. this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Date 7-3-25

Time 10:25 a.m. Signed Sarah Holland

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