

Roy Cooper, Governor State of North Carolina

GOVERNOR ROY COOPER OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

Senate Bill 824, AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION TO VOTE.

Requiring photo IDs for in-person voting is a solution in search of a problem. Instead, the real election problem is votes harvested illegally through absentee ballots, which this proposal fails to fix.

In addition, the proposed law puts up barriers to voting that will trap honest voters in confusion and discourage them with new rules, some of which haven't even been written yet.

Finally, the fundamental flaw in the bill is its sinister and cynical origins: It was designed to suppress the rights of minority, poor and elderly voters. The cost of disenfranchising those voters or any citizens is too high, and the risk of taking away the fundamental right to vote is too great, for this law to take effect.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

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Date Dec. 14, 2018 Time 3:46 p.m. Signed Sarah Holland Roy Coopé

Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 14th day of December 2018, at $3:40\mu$ for reconsideration by that body.

The Capitol Building, Raleigh, NC 27602 Mail: 20301 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-0301 Phone: (919)814-2100 SECTION 5. Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 6th day of December, 2018.

Philip E. Berger President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Tim Moore Speaker of the House of Representatives

Roy Cooper Governor

Approved _____.m. this _____ day of _____, 2018

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VETO Roy Cooper

Senate Bill 824-Ratified