



Roy Cooper, Governor  
*State of North Carolina*

GOVERNOR ROY COOPER OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE:

***Senate Bill 3, AN ACT TO CLARIFY POLITICAL PARTY DISCLOSURE ON THE BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL RACES IN 2018.***

Changing the rules for candidates after the filing has closed is unlawful and wrong, especially when the motive is to rig a contest after it is already underway. All judge elections should be free of partisanship, and continued undermining of these elections creates confusion and shows contempt for the judiciary.

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 Senate on this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 2018, at 2:53pm for reconsideration by that body.

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Date July 27, 2018

Time 2:53 p.m.

Signed Sarah Holland