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HOUSE BILL 89

Short Title: University Vaccination Freedom Act. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Gable, Almond, Kidwell, and Tyson (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Health, if favorable, Higher Education, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

February 11, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT REPEALING IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS WHO
ATTEND A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known as "The University Vaccination Freedom Act."

SECTION 2. G.S. 130A-154(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person who received immunizations in a state other than North Carolina shall present an official certificate or record of immunization to the child care ~~facility, school (K-12), or college or university.~~ facility or school (K-12) of attendance. This certificate or record shall state the person's name, address, date of birth, and sex; the type and number of doses of administered vaccine; the dates of the first MMR and the last DTP and polio; the name and address of the physician or local health department administering the required immunization; and other relevant information required by the Commission."

SECTION 3. G.S. 130A-157 reads as rewritten:

"§ 130A-157. Religious exemption.

If the bona fide religious beliefs of an adult or the parent, guardian or person in loco parentis of a child are contrary to the immunization requirements contained in this Chapter, the adult or the child shall be exempt from the requirements. Upon submission of a written statement of the bona fide religious beliefs and opposition to the immunization requirements, the person may attend the ~~college, university, school or facility~~ without presenting a certificate of immunization."

SECTION 4. G.S. 130A-155.1 is repealed.

SECTION 5. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year.

