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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Clay J. Schexnayder
Speaker of the House
Louisiana House of Representatives
Post Office Box 94062
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RE: Veto of House Bill 103 of the 2021 Regular Session

Dear Speaker Schexnayder:

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill 103 of the 2021 Regular Session.

This bill is one of three bills passed by the legislature involving COVID-19 vaccines. I am vetoing this bill for many of the same reasons that I vetoed House Bill 498. These bills contribute to the false narrative that the COVID-19 vaccines are anything other than safe and incredibly effective. House Bill 103 is not necessary and does nothing to protect the health and safety of the public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Bel Edwards".

John Bel Edwards
Governor

cc: Honorable Patrick Page Cortez
Louisiana Senate President

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2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 103

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCCORMICK, AMEDEE, AND HODGES

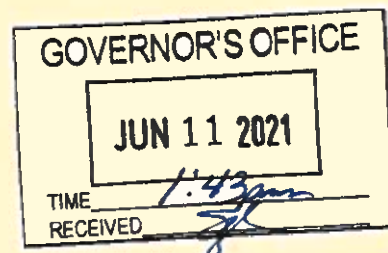
AN ACT

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House of Representatives



Michelle D. Leland
Clerk of the House of Representatives

2021 Regular Session

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 9:2800.28 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2800.28. COVID-19 vaccination mandates; limitation of liability; protection of business permits and professional licenses

A. No natural or juridical person shall be liable for any civil damages, and no cause of action may be maintained against a natural or juridical person who, in the course of, through the performance of, or by a provision of the person's business operations, refuses to mandate a COVID-19 vaccination or immunization for any employee or customer.

B. The state, a state agency, or a political subdivision of the state shall not refuse to permit, renew, or withhold a business license or professional license solely on the basis that the business has refused to mandate a COVID-19 vaccination or immunization for any employee or customer.


SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE


GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

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1 July 2021