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## **North Carolinians Support Sexual Orientation Provision**

**Raleigh, N.C.** – An overwhelming majority of North Carolinians, across party lines, support a provision to specifically protect children from bullying based on their sexual orientation.

72% of those polled in a statewide survey conducted by Public Policy Polling expressed support for the provision. That includes 84% of Democrats, 72% of independents, and 58% of Republicans in the state.

The poll also showed universal support for the bill across all race, gender, and age lines.

“Although there’s certainly been a lot of noise in opposition to this provision of the bill, the results of this poll would indicate that’s coming from a pretty small minority of North Carolina’s population,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “When it comes to the public at large, they overwhelmingly think there should be a provision specifically naming sexual orientation as something children need to be protected from bullying for.”

PPP surveyed 683 likely voters on July 16th. The survey’s margin of error is +/-3.8%. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

Complete results are attached and can be found at [www.publicpolicypolling.com](http://www.publicpolicypolling.com).

If you would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.

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## North Carolina Survey Results

**Q1** There is currently a proposal in the General Assembly that specifies the need to protect children from bullying based on their sexual orientation. Do you think this provision should be passed into law? If yes, press 1. If no, press 2.

Yes .....72% No.....28%

**Q2** If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Women .....54% Men.....46%

**Q3** If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If other, press 3.

Democrat ..... 48%

Republican..... 37%

Other..... 15%

**Q4** If you are white, press 1. If you are African American, press 2. If other, press 3.

White .....77% Other..... 3%

African American ...20%

**Q5** If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older than 65, press 4.

18-29.....15% 46-65.....35%

30-45.....18% Older than 65.....32%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
<b>Sexual Orientation Provision</b>			
Yes	72%	80%	63%
No	28%	20%	37%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
<b>Sexual Orientation Provision</b>				
Yes	72%	84%	58%	72%
No	28%	16%	42%	28%

	Base	Race		
		White	African American	Other
<b>Sexual Orientation Provision</b>				
Yes	72%	73%	71%	67%
No	28%	27%	29%	33%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
<b>Sexual Orientation Provision</b>					
Yes	72%	64%	57%	80%	76%
No	28%	36%	43%	20%	24%

