



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU**  
Governor

July 12, 2019

**Governor's Veto Message Regarding Senate Bill 196**

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on July 12th, 2019, I have vetoed Senate Bill 196, relative to non-academic surveys administered by a public school to its students.

For students to be successful in education, all of the research shows that we must support the students and their families. Last year, the Legislature worked to increase parental involvement in the use of non-academic surveys which seek to gather sensitive student and family information. SB 196 would remove this common-sense requirement that parents give permission for students to take these surveys. We should be expanding parental involvement in schools, not reducing it.

For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed Senate Bill 196.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher T. Sununu".

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Christopher T. Sununu  
Governor