

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

April 8, 2022

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

I am vetoing **Assembly Bill 675** in its entirety.

This bill would mandate that employers requiring proof of vaccine against COVID-19 must accept documentation demonstrating natural immunity against the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus (COVID-19) in lieu of proof of vaccination or regular testing.

I am vetoing this bill because I object to preventing employers from making decisions that are informed by science and public health to help combat the spread of COVID-19. The COVID-19 vaccine remains the most effective tool we have to prevent serious illness, hospitalizations, and death.

Private entities and businesses should remain free to implement COVID-19 mitigation measures to keep themselves, their workers, and customers safe without the Legislature's political interference.

Respectfully submitted,
TONY EVERS
Governor