

Roy Cooper (D) [Challenger]	Where the candidates stand on	Pat McCrory (R) [Incumbent]
Oppose	Using taxpayer dollars to fund private or religious schools	Support
Support	Ensuring women’s access to contraception without co-pay or cost-sharing, no matter where they work or go to school	Mixed
Unknown	Passing state or local measures requiring employers to provide earned, paid sick days to all employees	Unknown
Support	Improving existing state laws aimed at closing the gender pay gap	Unknown
Oppose	Maintaining the current minimum wage with no annual adjustments for inflation or increases for tipped workers	Unknown
Oppose	Supporting <u>state</u> laws that would invalidate <u>local</u> efforts to pass laws that advance women’s equality (often called preemption laws)	Support
Unknown	Increasing resources to vigorously enforce Title IX and other civil rights laws pertaining to education	Oppose
Support	Increasing state funding for higher education	Oppose
Unknown	Amending the U.S. Constitution to guarantee equal rights for men and women	Unknown
Support	Reducing barriers to voting like closing polling locations, eliminating early voting, and requiring voter identification	Oppose

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**Support:** Candidate co-sponsored or voted for this legislation or explicitly stated a policy position on the record with no ambiguity.

**Oppose:** Candidate voted against legislation or explicitly stated a policy position on the record with no ambiguity.

**Unknown:** Candidate took no explicit or compelling public position.

**Mixed:** Candidate made conflicting statements and/or votes on the issue or took a nuanced position.