Dear Legislators,

The Crown Act is an overdue bill!

According to Dove, did you know "A Black woman is 80% more likely to change her natural hair to meet social norms or expectations at work? Black women are 50% more likely to be sent home or know of a black woman sent home from the workplace because of her hair?"

Black children are being denied the right to participate in school activities because of the way they wear their natural hair.

As a black woman the very idea that I am PENALIZED for my God-given-hair of which I was born, is unconscionable. This does not happen for any other race of women in our country. It's saddening that my hair has become a political platform. No other race of women endure in this. But we are up for the task!

I stand with Rep. Bynum in support of the Crown Act Bill.

-Valarie Pearce