

Committee members: I strongly urge you to pass SB683. It is a wonderful step for educating our children about the truth about our history, which has been sorely lacking in our schools for many years. White supremacy is all pervasive in our country and in our state, and people have been indoctrinated into this way of thinking. It has created great harm for black Americans. This has become even more obvious since the inequities brought to the surface by the pandemic. It is time to end this and the way is through our children, by educating them about our history so that they can live their lives in ways that are far more open-minded, compassionate, and equitable. Equality and unity are vitally important now in order to transcend the hatred and division that have beset our state and our country. Thank you for your support of this timely and significant bill.