

To Senate Education Committee Members,

Please vote YES on SB 683, a bill that would improve state education curriculum on the history of racial discrimination, the realities of race-based policymaking, and the ongoing human impact of decades of violence, redlining/segregation, economic inequities, forced removals, and cultural genocide that has been perpetrated against native tribes and people of color -- Blacks, Asians, Pacific Islanders, Latinx, immigrants -- in the state of Oregon.

Without this information, Oregon's students will be more likely to fall prey to the media bombardment of misinformation and disinformation that will perpetuate "othering" and make it harder for all Oregonians to work together for a peaceful and healthy future.

Thank you,
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