

Chair and committee, I oppose this bill. In a time where our schools are trying to be inclusive, this bill would only incite more hatred, oppression, and segregation. Demeaning kids and making them feel responsible for something they didn't do will have a negative impact. Children can be taught to treat everyone with kindness and respect-not division and oppression. Shaming is not educating. Oregon is near the bottom for graduation rates, so many mandates are being written, the basics of education are being overlooked. Kids are graduating and they can't even write an essay. Schools are already racism, CRT. Bill 683 will only segregate and move is backward, not forward in equity in equality.