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To: Senate Committee on Education; [others]

Re: I OPPOSE [SB 617 (-2)]...Are "Critical Race Theory" and or the "1619 Project" going to be part of the indoctrination?

[SB 617 (-2)] excerpt states, "SECTION 1... (A) Include Essential Learning Skills and rigorous academic content standards in mathematics, science, English, history, geography, economics, civics, physical education, health, the arts and world languages. (B) Ensure that the academic content standards for history, geography, economics and civics include sufficient instruction on the histories, contributions and perspectives of individuals who: (i) Are Native American; (ii) Are African American; [(ii)] (iii) Are of African, Asian, Pacific Island, Chicano, Latino or Middle Eastern descent; [(iii)] (iv) Are women; [(iv)] (v) Have disabilities; [(v)] (vi) Are immigrants or refugees; or [(vi)] (vii) Are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender."

["European" descent is left out. Why?] No music education? ****[Compare the education requirements in Section (4).]**
[SB 617 (-2)] excerpt states, "SECTION 2... Textbooks and other instructional materials shall adequately address the roles in and contributions to the economic, political and social development of Oregon and the United States by men and women who: 1) Are Native American; (2) Are African American; (3) Are of European, African, Asian, Pacific Island, Chicano, Latino or Middle Eastern descent; (4) Have disabilities; (5) Are immigrants or refugees; or (6) Are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender."
[Note: "European" descent is added. Why?]

Now read Section (4) to really see what the intent of [SB 617] is all about. Actually, "Read" [SB 617] in its' entirety!

[SB 617 (-2)] excerpt states, "SECTION 4. (1) The Department of Education shall: (a) Develop a curriculum relating to the histories, contributions and perspectives of Blacks and African Americans in Oregon, the United States and the world."

"...(2) The curriculum required by this section must: Be developed for students in kindergarten through grade 12; (a) Be developed for students in kindergarten through grade 12;..."

Is [SB 617] the racially controlled and "race specific indoctrination" of "systemic racism" into children compelled by law?

Here is the meat of [SB 617]'s manifesto of systemic racism indoctrination and institutionalization into Oregon law.

"... perspectives of Blacks and African Americans in Oregon, the United States and the world, including the Black and African American experience as framed in: "(A) Geographic, political, social, economic and religious contexts, and how that experience has influenced historical and current events; and "(B) ...Black and African American diaspora and other forced displacements from homes, and Black and African American representation, innovation, leadership, education, culture, community, civil rights, racial equity and social and economic justice;...(c) Stimulate students' reflection on the roles and responsibilities of citizens in democratic societies relating to combatting misinformation, indifference, racism and discrimination, and using tools of resistance such as protest, reform and celebration;...to the extent practicable, embedded in other academic content areas, including English, history, geography, economics, civics and the arts. "(4) The department shall collaborate with educators, community based organizations and other stakeholders that can contribute perspective and expertise to the curriculum developed under this section and that can assist in the provision of technical assistance. The department may make moneys available to those entities to support collaboration efforts." [The "bone" for the Non-profits and or "special interests."]

[SB 617 (-2)] excerpt states, "SECTION 6. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$8,000,000, which must be used as follows: "(1) \$5,000,000 for professional development and training required under section 4 (5) of this 2021 Act. "(2) \$3,000,000 for the development of the curriculum required under section 4 of this 2021 Act."

[SB 617] is deceitful, hateful, race-based, divisive and generally; a stinking piece of legislative indoctrinalization. It's crap.

Respectfully submitted,
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