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SB 776 is a bad idea. The thought of reparations is actually ridiculous, not to mention divisive and insulting to ALL. How will you determine who will get them? Will the descendants of black slave owners receive reparations? Shouldn't they be paying them? Why should people who weren't even alive at the time be paying them? What about the people whose ancestors weren't even here. In my case, for example, my people (Armenian) were in Turkey being abused and killed by the Turks. Where are my reparations? My immediate family came here before the main genocide of 1915 when 1.5 million Armenians were slaughtered or driven into the desert to die, or in the case of young women, being taken as slaves.

SB 776 is divisive, unfair, an administrative nightmare and ultimately unjust.

Here is an article that makes a good case why reparations are not good and will not work.

<https://townhall.com/columnists/johnhawkins/2014/07/26/5-reasons-reparations-for-slavery-are-a-bad-idea-n1867139>