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Reparations to black Americans who have never experienced racism themselves strikes me as odd.

How is it even possible to establish eligibility? Shall we require black Americans to submit ancestry research going back over 100 years to prove that they are descendants of slaves? Democrats still oppose voter ID in many states arguing that people of color often lack the capacity to obtain an ID. How can we expect them to produce ancestry research 10 generations back?

People have mixed heritage. Some may have both slaves and slave owners in their ancestry. Some black Americans came to this country after the slavery was abolished.

What about people of other races who experienced slavery?

This measure strikes me as racist, paternalistic, and demeaning towards the black people.