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I strongly oppose this bill and any financial reparations that may come from it. Why should I be held financially responsible or have to contribute financially to anyone who I have not harmed or enslaved? Why should I pay for something that my ancestors never participated in? This bill signifies that Americans of current day have in some way wronged African Americans of current day and that is not the case. I am sympathetic to previous generations that were enslaved, but I had no hand in that and I shouldn't be financially liable even in the smallest for something that occurred multiple generations before my time and that my immigrant ancestors did not take part in. Where would it stop? If African Americans get a payment, then what about native Americans, or Asian, or Hispanic, or Scottish or any other nationality that was enslaved as well? This bill and any task force researching it is ridiculous. Please do not squander my hard earned pay for something no one benefiting would willingly hand over money for.