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I am in opposition to HB 2995 . The Civil war ended 160 years ago. Lincoln had reparations of 40 acres & a mule until Johnson discontinued it during his term. The state of Oregon had black people banned under its free state admittance to the union as part of the Missouri Compromise.

There were NO slaves here in Oregon ever. The current proposed budget is at least \$100 Million under budget & we don't have the money for this very very late nicety. Our roads need repair & there is the vagrant homeless issue with mental health issue of these people.

Over my lifetime, we have had to suffer under affirmative action & woke, which resulted in preferential treatment for blacks in jobs & universities.

When do we allow everyone to be equal under the law? How about we start now, 160 years later?