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Freeport

Dear Members of the Committee,

I strongly oppose this bill. It is very important to educate our young people about African American history as well as the history of indigenous peoples -- that is part of American history and it should not be sugar-coated. As we all know, those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it -- students need to learn about the evils of slavery, the brutality to which indigenous peoples were subjected, and the internment of Japanese Americans -- students need to learn about all these moments in history. However, to define African American history as genocide is wrong and minimizes actual genocides that have occurred. Again, I oppose this bill and it OUGHT NOT TO PASS. Thank you for your time.
Respectfully,