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Dear Members of the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

Please vote No on LD 187. The summary of this bill is to require education about African-American History and History of Genocide. My concern with this bill is that it is a way to push Critical Race Theory in our schools. We should teach American History and I believe we already are. This will of course include the history of all Americans regardless of race or ethnic background.

Teaching divisiveness, as Critical Race Theory does, is not good for our students or our country. We are all Americans and should look to unify us not divide us.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my testimony and for representing the people of Maine. We are all citizens of this great state and great country. Please do not push an educational agenda that will push dividing us rather than uniting us.