Senate Bill 293 - Oppose

Senate Committee on Education, Energy, and the Environment "County Boards of Education - Antibias Training for Members - Requirement (County Board Member Antibias Training Act)"

Please vote for a UNFAVORABLE report for SB0293.

Guideline (viii) states the antibias training shall be evidence-based. What evidence supports the efficacy of this training?

My experience is if you associate people with oppressed groups then people will tend to think of these groups as oppressed. If you teach people about microaggressions then people will see everything as a microaggression. This isn't helping anything.

Training on values needs to be principle-based, and before any further expansion of this Article takes place an evaluation and assessment of desired outcomes and best practices to achieve these outcomes needs to take place.

Thank you for your consideration,

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