

Hello. My name is Eryn Ainsley. I am a black person living with a mental health disability and I actually do not really support the proposed bill. I have been subject to nonconsensual actions by 911 responders and those whose unjustly called 911 on me based on false information. Just one example: Before 911 responders arrived, the person who called 911 on me did apologize to me for calling 911 but the 911 responders took nonconsensual actions against me. The person who called 911 on me was white and dialed after I said they were being racially insensitive. At any rate, I was silent for the entire duration of my confinement. I was let out the next day. And I stopped trusting community and 911/988 responders have my best interests in mind.

So yes. Typically, I don't trust 911 responders anymore for following false information and not the person in question without getting the facts. I don't even dial 911 or 988 for my mental health crisis anymore. The trust has been too far and too often broken. I just bare it all by myself and wait for therapy.

Furthermore, this is just another bill that I dread because of typically unreasonable and nonconsensual interventions by 911/988 callers and responders. Everyone is not a therapist, psych doctor or social worker who is privy to personal details of *every* person (from a mental health perspective).

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