

Testimony Against SB0469

Honorable Senators

Please enter an unfavorable report against SB0469.

I am against:

- establishing the Maryland Reparations Commission to develop and administer a program to provide compensatory benefits to the descendants of individuals enslaved in the State;
- providing that any individual whose ancestors were enslaved in the State is eligible to receive certain benefits;
- authorizing the Commission to seek the assistance of State agencies to develop and evaluate processes and applications; and
- requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill such sums as necessary to carry out the Act.

Why should the tax payers of Maryland, who have never enslaved anyone, be forced to pay compensation to the ancestors of those who were enslaved? This is just ludicrous, even if Maryland had a huge budget surplus and could afford to do so (Which it cannot)..

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