

# WITNESS INFORMATION FORM

Please complete the Witness Information Form before testifying:

Date: 9-20-21

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## Business before the committee

Legislation (Bill/Resolution Number): HBs 322 and 327

Specific Issue: Critical race theory in education

Are you testifying as a: Proponent  Opponent  Interested Party

Are you testifying: In-Person  Written-Only

Will you have a written statement, visual aids, or other material to distribute? Yes  No

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How much time will your testimony require? 1 minute

Please provide a brief statement on your position:

Being a senior citizen, I grew up ignorant of historical events following the Civil War: reconstruction fell apart, black landowners were forced from their lands, and the Tulsa burning and massacre that took place. Today children need to be informed of our full history, including racial tragedies and how the white race dealt with the black population.

It's no coincidence that extremists have chosen this movement to try and ban honesty in education. If we acknowledge systemic racism, we can empower our children to think critically about how they can fix it.

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