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PLEASE Report this bill (S.281) out of your committee essentially as submitted to you by the Senate. Your proposed amendments cleverly gut the effectiveness of the bill. When, oh when, are we as a society going to face up to the ongoing unfairness (not infrequently deadly) faced on a daily basis by people of color? The bill as amended by your committee is basically useless. Just another "feel good" piece of official paper. (Our brave Vermont legislature passed a nice bill to deal with racial injustice in our state. Goodie for us.)

I can't tell you how distressing it is to me to learn that some legislators are more concerned about some nice white people being annoyed, or embarrassed, by so-called "racial witch hunts" than with crafting laws that will keep us moving toward that American dream of a "more perfect union."

PLEASE do the right thing.

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