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Subject: Vermont Bill S.281

I live in Montpelier and I am writing to you to ask that you restore the essential components of S.281 and affirmatively report it out of committee. Please do not let the house completely gut this bill and render it useless. The data collection is vital to ensuring Vermont makes progress on addressing systemic racism. The director should not be reporting to the governor, it MUST NOT be a political position. It needs to be a neutral appointment. Please don't allow this travesty to happen. Send a message that Vermont takes systemic racism seriously and is doing what has been shown to work to start addressing the systemic injustice in our state.

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I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand. ~Confucius

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