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Government Accountability Committee Public Hearing

Zoom Webinar live streamed to [YouTube](#)

The State of Vermont annually reports on a wide variety of population-level indicators demonstrating quality of life for Vermonters. The Vermont Legislature's Joint Government Accountability Committee is hosting a virtual public hearing on **January 28th at 6pm** in order to inform our work on the selection of appropriate population-level indicators to demonstrate the quality of life for Vermonters who are Black, Indigenous, or people of color (BIPOC) and to expand the Legislature's, the Administration's, and our communities' understanding of the condition of wellbeing for BIPOC Vermonters.

The committee would like to center the voices of impacted communities, particularly BIPOC Vermonters, during the hearing. We encourage those who are not BIPOC to make as much space and time available to those folks by limiting your testimony to under 3 minutes or consider just submitting written testimony. Please register to testify [here](#).

The hearing will be live streamed to the General Assembly's Joint Committee YouTube channel [here](#).

We encourage testimony be focused on the following questions:

- What specific indicator addition(s) or change(s) would you recommend be made to the list of indicators in [Act 186](#) to better understand the wellbeing of BIPOC Vermonters?
- What changes would you recommend in the process of [reporting indicators and outcomes](#) to improve our understanding of the condition of wellbeing for BIPOC Vermonters?

To submit written testimony, please send in MS Word or pdf format to mlburke@leg.state.vt.us