

HB 2337 is an important piece of public health legislation. Racism is the underlying driver of many health disparities and it must be acknowledged and addressed in meaningful ways. Racism is pervasive and touches every sector. No institution or system that impacts the social determinants of health is exempt from this oppressive history and current-day reality. HB 2337 begins the work of acknowledging Oregon's racist history and contemporary inequities and makes resource investments in initial efforts to address health inequities among BIPOC folks in Oregon.

I'm in full support, this is nowhere near enough but it is a good step. With data then has to lead to broad systemic change, not just more studying and meetings.

In all due respect.