

Date of Hearing: August 13, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 130 (Jackson) – As Introduced August 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Racial Discrimination.

SUMMARY: Recognizes March 21, 2026, as the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The United Nations General Assembly proclaims March 21 as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, marking the day when police in Sharpeville, South Africa, opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful protest against apartheid laws in 1960.
- 2) Racial discrimination remains a persistent challenge worldwide, undermining the dignity, rights, and potential of individuals and communities. The impact of racial discrimination is profound and multifaceted, affecting individual lives and the fabric of society.
- 3) Racial discrimination in education manifests through biased treatment by teachers, unequal access to quality educational resources, underfunded schools, and fewer opportunities for advanced coursework and extracurricular activities.
- 4) Racial discrimination in the workplace can result in unequal opportunities for employment, promotions, and wages, with individuals from marginalized racial groups often facing barriers to career advancement, which perpetuates cycles of poverty and limits access to resources and opportunities for future generations.
- 5) Racial discrimination contributes to significant health disparities, with marginalized groups often having limited access to health care services and healthy food, facing biases within medical settings, and experiencing poorer health outcomes.
- 6) This day serves as a reminder of the ongoing struggle against racial discrimination and the need to promote equality, justice, and human rights for all.
- 7) The 2026 observance of this day offered an opportunity to reflect on the progress made in combating racial discrimination, as well as the work that remains to be done to eliminate all forms of discrimination based on race, ethnicity, or color.
- 8) The recognition of this day encourages individuals, communities, and nations to engage in dialogue, education, and action to foster a culture of respect and understanding.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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