H.R._____
To prohibit the United States Armed Forces from promoting anti-American and racist theories.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ________

A BILL
To prohibit the United States Armed Forces from promoting anti-American and racist theories.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-

tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Combatting Racist Training in the Military Act of 2021".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The founding principles of the United States include the belief, enshrined in the Declara-
tion of Independence, that "all men are created equal" and "are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights".

(2) The United States' commitment to the equal dignity and natural rights of all mankind is the strongest possible defense against racism and oppression of all kinds.

(3) The mission of the United States Armed Forces is to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic" and "bear true faith and allegiance to the same".

(4) To carry out this mission, the Armed Forces must train leaders who love the United States, its citizens, and the aforementioned founding principles.

(5) Anti-American and racist theories, such as "Critical Race Theory", teach that the United States is a fundamentally racist Nation, that the Constitution is a fundamentally racist document, and that certain races are fundamentally oppressive or oppressed.

(6) Such theories encourage people to judge and treat others differently on the basis of their race, rather than treating them as equal citizens and
human beings with equal dignity and protection under the law.

(7) Anti-American and racist theories, such as Critical Race Theory, teach students to distrust and even hate their country and fellow citizens.

(8) The United States Armed Forces should not promote or otherwise encourage anti-American and racist theories that demoralize and divide its members while undermining its mission to “bear truth faith and allegiance” to the Constitution.

SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON PROMOTION OF ANTI-AMERICAN AND RACIST THEORIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The United States Armed Forces and academic institutions operated or controlled by the Department of Defense shall not promote the following anti-American and racist theories:

(1) Any race is inherently superior or inferior to any other race.

(2) The United States of America is a fundamentally racist country.

(3) The Declaration of Independence or the United States Constitution are fundamentally racist documents.

(4) An individual’s moral character or worth is determined by his or her race.
(5) An individual, by virtue of his or her race,
is inherently racist or oppressive, whether con-
sciously or unconsciously.

(6) An individual, because of his or her race,
bears responsibility for the actions committed by
other members of his or her race.

(b) "Promote" Defined.—In this section, the term
"promote" means the following:

(1) Including theories described under sub-
section (a) or materials that advocate such theories
in curricula, reading lists, seminars, workshops,
trainings, or other educational or professional set-
tings in a manner that could reasonably give rise to
the appearance of official sponsorship, approval, or
endorsement.

(2) Contracting with, hiring, or otherwise en-
gaging speakers, consultants, diversity trainers, and
other persons for the purpose of advocating theories
described under subsection (a).

(3) Compelling members of the Armed Forces
to affirm or profess belief in theories described
under subsection (a).

(4) Segregating members of the Armed Forces
or other individuals by race in any setting, including
educational and training sessions.
(c) Rules of Construction.—

(1) Protected speech not restricted.—

Nothing in this section shall be construed to restrict the protected speech of members of the Armed Forces or any individual.

(2) Access to materials for the purpose of research or independent study.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent individuals from accessing materials that advocate theories described under subsection (a) for the purpose of research or independent study.

(3) Contextual education.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the United States Armed Forces and academic institutions operated or controlled by the Department of Defense from stating theories described under subsection (a) or assigning materials that advocate such theories for educational purposes in contexts that make clear the United States Armed Forces and Department of Defense does not sponsor, approve, or endorse such theories or works.