
RACIAL JUSTICE

From criminal justice to healthcare, public education to voting laws and more, equal racial justice is not confronted or remedied in the legislative process, and in some cases is made worse.

- In 2012, the GOP voted to [repeal the Racial Justice Act](#) which helped overturn the death penalty sentence in cases where racial bias played a role in sentencing.
- The GOP passed a [law to protect Confederate Monuments](#) from removal, and has no interest in [participating in a dialogue](#) about appropriate measures to satisfy public concern.
- Despite claiming their Voter ID law was to prevent voter fraud, the NCGOP's true motives were revealed when the court overturning their 2013 law commented that they targeted "[African Americans with almost surgical precision.](#)"
- The NC GOP passed a [law](#) allowing four towns in Mecklenburg County to open their own charter schools. Opponents of this law say that it functionally allows these towns to ["secede" and create segregated schools](#). There is already extensive documentation of the [resegregation of Charlotte schools](#) prior to the passage of this law.
- Legislators passed a law mandating a study of [breaking up school districts](#) - like in Wake County, where the original districts merged specifically because of [concerns about segregation](#). Splitting up these districts could lead to segregation again.
- The NC GOP has tried to blatantly dilute the voting power of black people in drawing both [federal congressional districts](#) as well as [state legislative districts](#).
- Failure to expand Medicaid disproportionately impacts people of color. Despite making up approximately [33 percent](#) of the non-elderly population of North Carolina, [people of color make up 36 percent](#) of those who fall into the coverage gap left by the failure to expand Medicaid.