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The Challenges that the Black community face, especially our BLACK children, more specifically the black male cannot be bundled in with every other issue because we KNOW

1. Discrimination still exist,
2. Racial profiling still exist
3. The Achievement Gap still exist,
4. Disparities in Contracting Opportunities w. state still exist,
5. School to Prison pipeline REALLY exist
6. Disparities within Child Welfare Systems still exist

THEREFORE we NEED a separate commission to address our issues to ensure impartial efforts exist to PROTECT the rights of ALL citizens of CT.

Do Not Consolidate For The Above Reasons!