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BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 90 (Substitute S-1)
Sponsor: Senator Sarah Anthony
Committee: Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety

(Senate-passed version)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act (ELCRA) to prohibit discrimination based on traits historically associated with race, including hair texture and protective hairstyles.

Generally, the ELCRA prohibits discrimination in employment, public accommodations and public services, educational facilities, and housing and real estate based on religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status.

The bill would define "race" as inclusive of traits historically associated with race, including hair texture and protective hairstyles. "Protective hairstyles" would include such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists.

MCL 37.2103

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(Please note: This section does not provide a comprehensive account of all previous legislative efforts on the relevant subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of House Bill 4811 of the 2019-2020 Legislative Session.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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