
Subject: Re: Ban on white men becoming firefighters

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I don't think it's actual racism, at least by most peoples definition. There are laws that say their workforce has to be X percent minorities. They apparently were majorly not hitting the numbers and had too many white guys, so they had to temporarily stop hiring any more until the ratio would allow it.

I think that is a better solution than firing some of the existing employees just to shuffle the race ratio around.

Same goes if they had to temporarily ban hiring black men. "Racism" has nothing to do with it. It's simple math and them following the law of keeping the proper ratio of minorities in their workforce.

Of course like I said, people will still say its "racism" just because race is a factor. IMO "racism" is due to some sort of discrimination based hatred or dislike, not because of a law that is meant to *protect* minorities against those that may discriminate by not hiring them.
