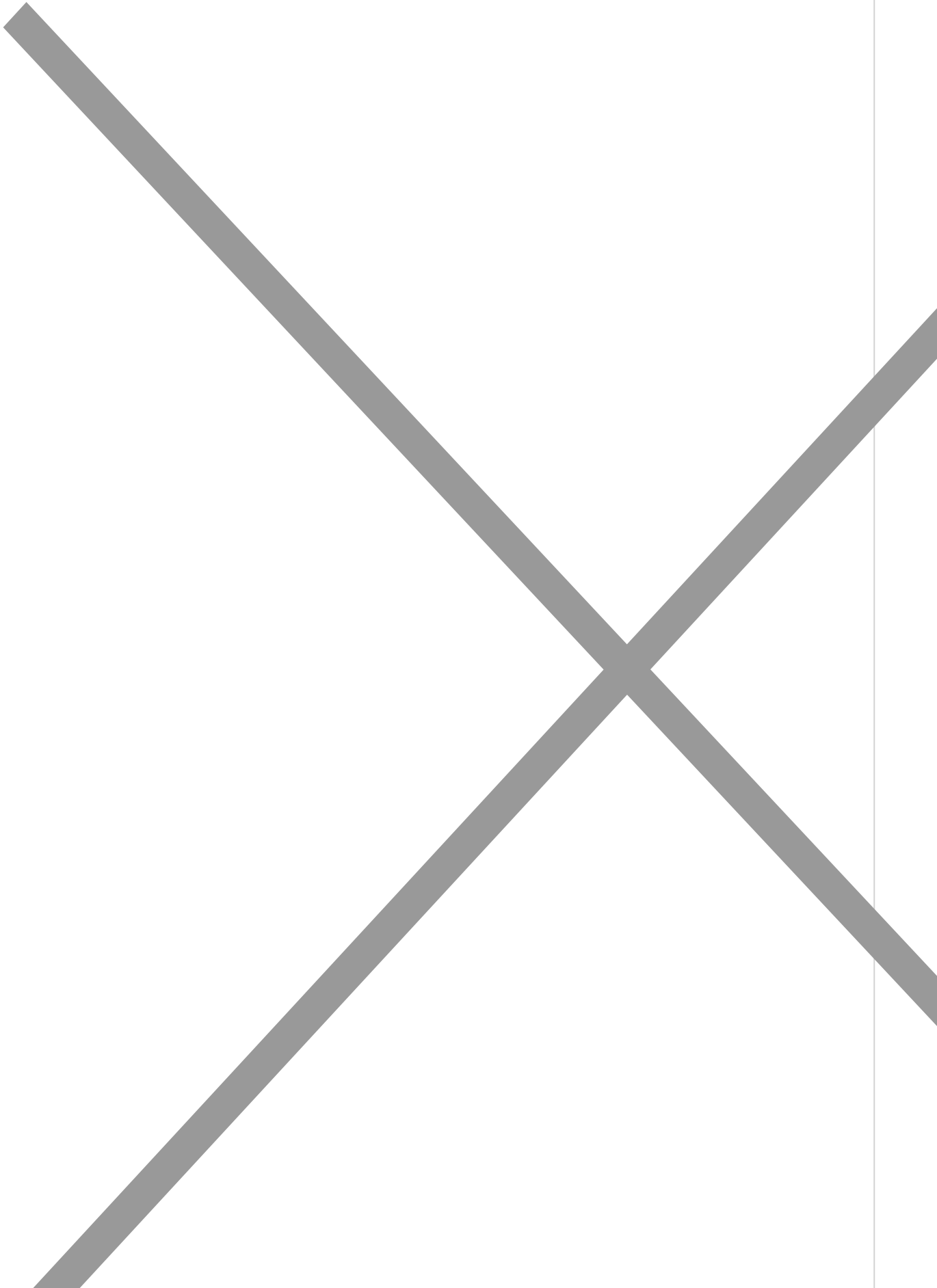


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The Department of Education incorporated new guidelines on the teaching of slavery in public schools.

Teachers and professors will have to appeal, among other outbursts, that slavery made it easier for victims to "develop skills".

The "novel" additions to the teaching standards reinforce a particular view of racial segregation and African-Americans in a country where skin-color-based abuses are still committed.

The added procedures take care to emphasize that the racial crimes were perpetrated against blacks and also by blacks.

Let's remember that the new Department of Education guidelines, directed by Manny Diaz, a close friend of DeSantis, come after prohibiting in schools the suggestion that someone can be privileged or oppressed because of his or her race.

The board also prohibited students from being taught about sexual orientation and gender identity until high school.

These are not isolated educational issues, as DeSantis has vowed to crack down on what he calls "woke" or too-savvy indoctrination.

With such tools, the governor plans to defeat fellow Republican and conservative Donald Trump in the race for the presidential nomination in 2024.

Analysts rightly pointed out that Ron DeSantis is not a loose link in the most reactionary wing of the Republican Party, involved in a kind of cultural war or hatred against schools, accentuated during Donald Trump's term in office.

Not content with the above, the authority of the State of Florida pushed for a strict legislation against illegal immigrants, who if transported by a person, the latter will receive a fine of 5 thousand dollars or five years in prison.

The inspirer of the coercive provision did not even flinch when the Florida community showed fear that the local economy would decline because of the need for undocumented immigrants in many sectors.

The restriction of rights and liberties through laws promoted by him does not keep the governor awake at night, because he considers it necessary to present the so-called Sunshine State as an example of governance for the Republican Party.

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