

Senedd Cymru | Welsh Parliament

Y Pwyllgor Biliau Diwygio | Reform Bill Committee

Bil Senedd Cymru (Rhestrau Ymgeiswyr Etholiadol) | Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill

Ymateb gan Lynne Matthews | Evidence from Lynne Matthews

What are your views on the general principles of the Bill and the need for legislation to deliver the Welsh Government's stated policy objective (to make the Senedd a more effective legislature by ensuring it is broadly representative of the gender make-up of the population)?

It should always be the best person for the job regardless of gender, I would simply not vote at any election if I did not know who I was voting for it is an affront to democracy and would hopefully be challenged in the high courts.

What are your views on the system of enforcement and potential sanctions for non-compliance proposed in the Bill?

No definitely not men cannot be allowed to self ID as a woman, no problem with anyone standing as a trans candidate but NOT at the expense of a woman. No closed list we need to know who we are voting for.

Are there any potential barriers to the implementation of the Bill's provisions? If so, what are they, and are they adequately taken into account in the Bill and the accompanying Explanatory Memorandum and Regulatory Impact Assessment?

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

Less people voting, female candidates pushed aside.

What are your views on the Welsh Government's assessment of the financial and other impacts of the Bill?

Nonsense all of it a waste of much needed money.

What are your views on the balance between the information contained on the face of the Bill and what is left to subordinate legislation? Are the powers for Welsh Ministers to make subordinate legislation appropriate?

No

Do you have any views on matters relating to the legislative competence of the Senedd including compatibility with the European Convention on Human Rights?

Not competent at all Senedd seems to be led by very small pressure groups that do not put the people of Wales first.

Do you have any views on matters related to the quality of the legislation, or to the constitutional or other implications of the Bill?

Put it to a referendum and let the people of Wales decide.

Are there any other issues that you would like to raise about the Bill and the accompanying Explanatory Memorandum or any related matters?

Hold a referendum on the bill.

Anything else?