

SCECLB18 Individual

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 Unigolyn | Evidence from Individual

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)?

I think it is unnecessary overreach and excessively controlling. I would like to see the best candidates on abilities to represent standing regardless of gender or sexual orientation.

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

Just creating unnecessary complications and layers of non jobs. It appears to be quite dictatorial in its approach. Do we really need such excessive control?

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?

The barriers are that parties could present men who identify as woman just to fulfill an unnecessary quota

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

You may end up with people forward who have neither the experience or ability to perform their role as a representative

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

The financial impacts are detrimental

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?

They are not appropriate at all.

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

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

The legislation is a ridiculous overreach of powers for the Senedd and are a waste of precious resources. There are many far more important things to focus on.

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

Anything else?