

SCECLB32 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 do not believe the general principles of the Bill will deliver on the WG stated policy objective to make a more effective legislature but it would deliver a better representation of the people of Wales by enshrining gender make-up of the population, effectiveness is delivered by the personal attributes of those elected to office not their gender

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

face value is risky, the four main political parties do have standards in selecting standards however those standards have built from years of experience in selecting candidate, a newer political party may not be so self diligent so a firmer sanction is required to deter spurious / questionable candidate lists

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?

yes, from agent provocateurs who will seek to exploit the bill provision to attack self id and transgender issues

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

legal challenges from either side of transgender rights activists supported seeking to polarise positions of transgender rights

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

none

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, greater powers are needed to be devolved from Westminster to make the subordinate legislation robust

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

no, the bill appear to not to be in conflict with the ECHR or the UN council 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?

not quite robust enough

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?