

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 Suzanne padden | Evidence from Suzanne padden

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 have concerns that you are using the term gender rather than sex which is binary, male or female. Genders refers to many aspects of sexuality and belief I am unsure as to how you would then distinguish between one and the other . You need to clarify is this is simply 50 natal men 50 % natal women.

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

I would prefer the best candidate rather than forcing the issue of finding a female that may not be competent. WOW, I just read that again. So any man can say they are a woman and that in itself is enough. The UK does not recognise self Id, so the legality of this will automatically be called into question as it did in Scotland . This is misogyny. A man at the age of those in parliament has already had the benefit of being born male. Yet you suggest that anyone changing sex can pretend to be a woman. And take the place of a natural born woman . One who by this age has raised a family, etc. In total shock. The answer categorically is not in my name. NO

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?

Self ID is not a legally recognised in UK law.

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

Yes , you need to put this to women . It is a disgrace.

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

Will this cost you as it did Scotland

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?

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

I am a lay person. So I will not be able to discuss the legalities but I am sure that being female and the right to believe in only 2 sex is enshrined in law.

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

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?

Gender does not equate to sex. That is binary men and women. Please use legal terms