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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 Jonathan Mccarthy | Evidence from Jonathan Mccarthy

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)?

Nomination should be based on ability and merit alone. It should have nothing to do with sex.

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

Please define what a woman is? The fact that the declaration is taken at 'face value' makes a complete mockery of the proposals. The entire cohort could consist of all biological men which completely negates its purpose.

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?

Hopefully the UK Government will intervene and stop the Senedd from implementing this misogynistic policy.

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

Men identifying as women can stand as candidates. Just because a man says he's a woman does not make him thus.

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

A complete waste of taxpayer's 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?

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?

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

It is misogynistic, detrimental to women and should not be allowed

Anything else?