

## **SCECLB150 Individual**

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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 Unigolyn | Evidence from Individual

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**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 would be completely against it. It's a regressive step that would do nothing to improve the representation of women. People should be elected on the basis of merit.

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

I find it unbelievable that you are even talking about such things. It's an interference with the political autonomy of parties and completely unacceptable.

**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?**

As I am completely against the idea any barriers from my point of view would be favourable.

**Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?**

Yes. You are likely to decrease the number of women standing.

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

It's a waste of 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?**

There would be no need for subordinate legislation if you do not progress with this regressive bill.

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

You are overreaching your powers

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

It's probably unlawful

**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?**

You should be applying yourself to the real problems in Wales not this nonsense.