

## SCECLB159 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)?**

The Welsh government should be doing everything it can to support more women to become involved in public life and to reduce sexism.

BUT please can we have clear language. This is not about "Gender equity" or indeed anything to do with "gender" this is an issue of the under representation of women. To say anything else is just obfuscation. And flimflam.

We must also be clear that women are adult female human beings. If the Welsh government wishes to support and promote the trans community fair enough but that is a distinct issue.

The Senedd already has the one of the best representation rates of women as members in the world, so continue to build on that, maybe put your effort into reducing male violence against women or sexism in schools instead.

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

Women are adult human females, sex is recorded at birth. There is no such thing as self-identifying, this is a backdoor way to increase the number male Senedd members. I reject it wholeheartedly.

**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?**

I don't believe that the Welsh Govt has the power to do this.

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

Reducing the number of women in the sennedd

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

**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?**

**Anything else?**