

SCECLB166 Marlyn Glen

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 Marlyn Glen | Evidence from Marlyn Glen

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)?

Generally it should be that the Senedd is at least 50 per cent women but that has to females and not makes identifying as females. Otherwise it is meaningless

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

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?

Again there needs to be clarity about women being women. Trans women are by definition make and can't be included

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

As it stands women could get excluded

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

There has to be a proper equalities assessment in its impacts on women (not on transwomen)

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?

This Bill is not competent if it tries to redefine women..it will be blocked like the Scottish GRA 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?

The bill needs to promote women not trans identified males

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

Be aware of the rightful blocking if the Scottish GRA Bill.

Equality Legislation matters

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

Women's rights must be protected and women should be encouraged to stand for election ...there should be no place for transwomen in women's quotas

Anything else?

Please pay heed to women's organisations and all the recent legal challenges in protection of women's rights.