

SCECLB216 Individual

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

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)?

You are using the wrong definition. It should be based on sex not gender. Gender is subjective allowing males to stand. It would therefore be in contravention of the exceptions in the Equality Act and would be sexual discrimination against females.

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

Yes, this needs to be enforced to stop the Welsh Government discriminating against females. What's the point of trying to encourage more women to stand if you are going to allow men who think they are women to take their place?

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?

The barrier would be the Welsh Government failing to ensure that females only can stand for these seats. Males

Self-identifying into the female class takes away opportunities for females. Also your government will be a laughing stock.

Are any unintended consequences likely to arise from the Bill?

Men who 'feel' they are women taking women's opportunities to stand. Contravening single sex exceptions in the EA 2010. Sexual discrimination against females.

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?

ECHR have recently declared that they will pursue organisations who allow men to take advantage of single sex exceptions. The Senedd needs to adhere to ECHR legal directives.

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

Needs to use sex not gender as the descriptor.

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?