

Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Bill 2022

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I am a 20 year old trans person, through out my transition I have faced constant and regular discrimination surrounding my name and gender. People will often make comments like well it's not your legal name so I refuse to use your preferred one or why does it say your male on your ID and immediately recognising me as trans which has led to some treating me differently and always makes me feel awful and scared. This kind of forced "outing" that I'm trans has the potential to lead to violence and harsh discrimination in the current political climate where trans hate is on the rise. Outside of social situations it also impacts my work, coworkers personally say my preferred name some don't with there reasoning being it's not my legal name. On official work related matters I still have to use my deadname and most days this still upsets me. The only option my boss has given me is that I change it legally. Changes towards the accessibility of gender marker and name changes would mean I and many other gender diverse people would face less discrimination and would be able to combat those who appose the use of my name and gender with legal documents.