

Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Bill 2022

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I have recently had the opportunity to witness a colleague of mine transition. He was S* and now she is ML. ML has a wonderful family, five great kids, just got a job and goes to Church on Sundays. She has done this in one of the most dangerous countries in the world to do this. The United States of America. I have been humbled to have witnessed her journey. I have also had the opportunity to assist a veteran who has transitioned. He was a paratrooper, I was attached to an infantry regiment for years. We ate the same dust. We might have even crossed. Today, she struggles with the weight all veterans carry. She served then so she could be anyone she wanted to be when she got out. Why shouldn't we all just respect that? Gender is not binary. I support the right of every person to have their gender recognised by the state and reflected correctly on identity documents. I support this bill because it will improve inclusion and well being for the trans folk in my life.