

Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Bill 2022

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I believe this legislation is long overdue and important for the well-being of trans and gender diverse people. It will enable TGD people to have identity documents which match their lived identity, and also bring Queensland better into agreement with the Yogyakarta Principles - international principles on the application of international human rights law to sexual orientation and gender identity. Specifically, Yogyakarta Principle 3 - The Right to recognition before the law, which states: "No one shall be forced to undergo medical procedures, including sex reassignment surgery, sterilisation or hormonal therapy, as a requirement for legal recognition of their gender identity..." States shall: "...b) Take all necessary legislative, administrative and other measures to fully respect and legally recognise each person's self-defined gender identity;" c) Take all necessary legislative, administrative and other measures to ensure that procedures exist whereby all State-issued identity papers which indicate a person's gender/sex — including birth certificates, passports, electoral records and other documents — reflect the person's profound self-defined gender identity;" Source: <https://yogyakartaprinciples.org/>