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Requiring individuals with Klinefelter Syndrome or other intersex variations to select a binary "male" or "female" gender on passport applications creates an impossible and unjust situation. These forms demand a declaration of biological sex, and for many intersex individuals, their biology defies this simple categorization. To force them to choose a designation that doesn't align with their reality is not only invalidating but potentially criminalizing. After all, providing false information on a passport application constitutes perjury, a serious offense.

Essentially, we're asking individuals to either misrepresent themselves under penalty of law or face the denial of a fundamental right – the right to travel. This raises a critical question: are we inadvertently criminalizing a medical condition? Is it ethical to compel individuals to betray their own biological truth to fit within a system that fails to acknowledge their existence? A system designed to serve all its citizens should not force some into a position where they must choose between legal compliance and personal authenticity. We urgently need passport policies that reflect the diversity of human biology and uphold the dignity of all individuals.