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This change to the U.S. passport application is unnecessary, exclusionary, and harmful. The previous use of "gender" allowed for alignment with international standards that recognize gender identity, ensuring dignity and accuracy for all applicants. Requiring individuals to list only their biological sex at birth disregards the lived realities of transgender and nonbinary people, subjecting them to potential discrimination, travel difficulties, and identity mismatches with other legal documents. Furthermore, this revision imposes an ideological stance that erases existing federal recognition of gender diversity, undermining individual rights rather than protecting them. The State Department should prioritize inclusivity and practicality over politically motivated restrictions.