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## **Comments Received:**

For many years, the State department has allowed people to change their sex marker on their passport to be in alignment with their gender identity, going so far as to make it easier to update this marker in 2022. Similar policies are used in multiple states as well as internationally. The current policy since the executive order in January forcibly outs transgender, nonbinary and intersex people as well as threatens their and their family's safety every time they travel. This policy serves zero public interest and targets a small minority of people, denying their dignity and privacy and attempting to push them out of public life. It violates the First Amendment of the Constitution, the Equal Protection Clause and Due Process Clause of the Constitution as well as the Administrative Procedures Act.