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Using biological sex at birth would pose a huge security and ID risk as it would make it more difficult to identify people. A transgender traveler presenting an ID with an outdated gender marker may be detained, which needlessly wastes TSA and security resources and creates an opening for terrorist threats. Conversely, if gender markers are then routinely ignored due to their inaccuracy for transgender persons, then the identification loses its importance and becomes more susceptible to fraud. Identification works by using elements of the visual appearance, such as eye color, hair color, height, and gender, and to remove the tools security personnel use to match the ID to the person presenting it, the United States creates weakness in the use of these tools and risks the safety of its citizens.