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It is cruel and unusual to force intersex people into using gender identification that does not align with how they present themselves. There are many cases of intersex people and queer people being harassed, persecuted, and even assaulted or murdered while traveling, depending on the location and how LGBT-friendly it is. Many intersex people pass as their preferred sex (in other words, they're not visually distinguishable from someone born to their preferred sex), so with appropriate travel documentation it is possible for them to travel safely without issue.

However, forcing these individuals to disclose their assigned sex at birth puts them in undue and unnecessary risk of targeted persecution. Furthermore, it is humiliating for the individuals involved, and serves no practical purpose except to officially categorize individuals as a member of a marginalized minority group. It is simply unconscionable to force this hardship on an already hurting group of people.