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These changes serve no useful purpose and are therefore a waste of money. If the administration is so offended by the gender marker, why not remove it entirely?

This change will potentially cause serious problems for transgender people. Like it or not, transgender people exist. If a transgender male has a beard and deep voice but a passport with an "F" on it, he is going to be detained and questioned. How does that help anyone? Why is that necessary?

What happens when a person who doesn't "look" like the stereotypical person of a specific gender presents? Will they be "assumed" to be transgender? Will they be stopped and questioned?

What happens when a transgender person has a Real ID with "F" but a passport with "M"? Why should the State Department be able to invalidate the gender marking on a Real ID?

Furthermore, these forms are in violation of the injunction put on State by the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado in the Zzyym v. Blinken case (formerly Zzyym v. Pompeo, Zzyym v. Tillerson, and Zzyym v. Kerry).