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I am commenting to urge the State Department to return to its previous policy of allowing gender changes and X gender markers on passport applications. The recent policy changes are blatantly discriminatory against transgender and intersex Americans and have a domino effect on many of the rights and freedoms citizens are entitled to, such as being able to travel (including domestically under the Real ID Act), get jobs, secure housing, apply for healthcare, and vote. The Supreme Court has already upheld the rights of transgender Americans under Title VII. Despite the current administration's emphasis on "government efficiency," the State Dept. seems to have no problem dragging the federal government into years long, costly lawsuits by blatantly breaking the law. It's not the government's job to "approve" of transgender people - trans people have always existed and changing gender does not violate anyone else's rights or freedoms. Government documents should reflect factual information and be issued fairly to all Americans, not be weaponized for a small group's hateful agenda.