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With regards to passports currently being held in limbo for many non-gender conforming individuals, I am perplexed as to why the US Government is more concerned with having biological sex on passports than the actual gender people present as. Considering trans people only make up 1% of the population, it seems ridiculous to insist they be forced to out themselves as trans anytime they show their passport, thus potentially subjugating them to discrimination and potential danger. The US government is presumably not going to be verifying genitalia when someone applies for a passport. Furthermore, these changes in no way save the government money, so why put trans people through the potential abuse and discrimination that could come from having to out themselves by having their sex assigned at birth on their passport rather than the gender they present as? This is being used as a divisive tactic which serves no purpose other than to "stick it to the leftists". It is also preventing people from traveling for no reason other than how they choose to identify and present themselves to the public. This is senseless and cruel to individuals such as my 18 year old who identify as something other than what they were assigned at birth, and there's no reason for it.