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## **Comments Received:**

Asking for people's gender identity rather than sex is more accurate to the utility of a passport. If a passport is meant to help identify people as they move around the world, what is being assessed is how they present, rather than what may or may not be between their legs (which TSA and other security officials are not/should not be checking). Demanding people select their assigned sex at birth on a document, when they may identify and present on a different section of the gender spectrum, can cause gender dysphoria, confusion by agencies using passports for identification purposes, and can put gender-nonconforming people in danger in certain regions of the US and abroad. People are beautifully complex, and what we observe on their outsides is only part of the whole. Transgender people are real and normal. Additionally, changing the process now is a waste of time and taxpayer money. DOGE is an even larger drain on our time and taxpayer money. They should be ashamed of themselves. Thank you!