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I am opposed to the addition of collecting an applicant's "biological sex at birth" to this process. Not only is this an extra administrative step that it not a good use of taxpayer dollars, it also creates an undue burden on transgender and intersex Americans who may have an updated gender marker on their existing passport or a marker of "X." Removing their ability to obtain legal identification that matches their gender identity is discriminatory and places these individuals at greater risk of discrimination and violence in contexts where they need to present their passport, especially when their "at birth" biological sex does not match their current name or presentation. This is a violation of their constitutional right to equal protection under the law.