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I have a number of concerns with the plan to only issue passports with a gender marker that matches a person's assigned gender at birth. It is important to allow individuals to self-select gender markers that match their lived gender presentation in the real world. This ensures orderly and efficient processing during travel and when being used in connection with other documents which have gender markers that need to match the passport. I am also concerned that attempting to validate birth gender and revert passports already issued will cost immense time, effort, and financial and personnel resources that are not available. In addition, equal protection questions may arise if the process of suddenly disallowing or reverting gender changes is not applied evenly among all passport applicants.