

Dear Madam/Sir,

I write in the hope of seeing the term 'gender identity' avoided in the amendments.

Many of us do not believe such a thing exists. A law using this phrase implies we must all acknowledge this, in the same way as enforcing a religion on us. To me, and doubtless to others, it contravenes the right to a belief and the right not to have that belief under the Equality Act 2010.

Many of us do not understand what it is. It is a new and alien idea to those of us not brought up with it, and no-one seems able to define it. I know that young people are told to believe it, but I feel it is ageist to expect us older people to know what it is. We never HAD any 'gender identity' to grow up with, and many of us have no intention of starting to have one now. It contravenes discrimination on the basis of age under the Equality Act 2010.

It clearly goes against women's human rights, which should be protected under the Equality Act 2010.

I don't want to live in a country which endorses what, to most of us, is absolute nonsense, extremely childish, and blatant insanity. I will have no respect whatsoever for any such law, and shall carry on calling a man a man, and a woman a woman, based on their anatomy as observed at or before birth and as observed by me, and I can tell which is which in over 99% of cases. I hope everyone else sticks to reality and does the same, in which case we will all become criminals within a matter of days if these pretending-to-be-the-opposite-sex lunatics get their way. I have no time for them and their drive!

Yours,

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