

Electoral Laws (Restoring Electoral Fairness) Amendment Bill 2025

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I am disturbed not only by the timing of this submission process with most folks on holiday but with any attempt to curtail voting rights further than laws currently allow. Particularly as this coincides with moves to increase the number of minor offences that disproportionately target minority groups and homeless peoples. To be quite frank it reeks of an American conservative style rigging of election eligibility, put forward not to achieve meaningful criminal reduction, but to effect the voting pool in a way that is likely convenient to the present government in some way. It comes out of nowhere and I only heard about it because of advocacy groups raising awareness that submissions are set to close soon.

The moves against union support as if unions were not made up of everyday folks rather than specific individual interests also receives a lot of side eye from me, as the LNP has a long history of anti union sentiment that I find wholly undemocratic.

I do not support the proposed changes and find the justifications deeply lacking. I note a pattern of ideology within the government that has seen expert advice ignored or dismissed and will take this opportunity to express my disappointment in that too.