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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Subject: Electoral and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015
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To the Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee,

I have just heard of your possible decision to remove the requirement for voters to provide ID before voting in state and local government elections.

I strongly support the ID requirement, to prevent voter fraud. Without ID, it would be easy for someone to cast a vote in the name of another person. The fraudster cannot be traced.

These days, providing ID is often routine. A driver's licence, rates notice, electricity bill or some other identifying document is needed to open a bank account, withdraw money, join a library, travel by plane, or post an overseas parcel. Why not voting? I worked on a polling booth in the State Election and providing ID was not a problem for the vast majority of voters. So why is removing the ID requirement such a priority for the new Labor state government?

I ask you to please retain the current requirement for voters to provide proof of identity before casting their vote. This requirement is widely accepted by the community, and is needed to ensure the integrity of the electoral system by minimizing the possibility of voter fraud.

Thank you,
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