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I wish to make a submission in reference to the bill shortly to be before parliament that removes the provision of proof of identity for voting in local, state and federal elections.

I believe that electoral fraud is far more likely should proof of identity be removed and see absolutely no benefit in removing proof.

I would far sooner see voting become voluntary than compulsory.

To simply remove proof of identity for sake of convenience for constituents will not encourage unmotivated voters.

Those who are unmotivated to vote are far more likely to submit a donkey vote or tick above the line than go through the process of working through all candidates and number them in order of preference.

Those who are motivated by wishing to commit electoral fraud by voting under various different names will be able to run rampant under these proposals.

Furthermore the provisionals of this bill to have all donations over \$1000 declared is fair but only if it applies to every donation including those from trade unions as well as businesses.

The entire preferential voting system is dis-functional allowing tiny, single issue parties with a handful of votes to become senators. This system drastically needs overhaul.

First past the post is a far fairer system of voting.

Voluntary voting instead of mandatory is also smarter as it eliminates those who simply don't care and enter a donkey vote.

Thank you.

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