From:

Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

Subject: "Electoral and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015"

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I am writing to you about the legislation that is before parliament to remove the requirement for voters to provide ID before voting in state and local government elections

I am submitting this email to ask that you keep the current requirement for proof of identity for each voter. This is needed if we are to ensure the integrity of the electoral system and to minimise the possibility of voter fraud. Without ID it is easy for someone to cast a vote in the name of another person and you have no way of tracing who is doing that. The public is used to the routine of providing ID when opening bank accounts, for driver's licence, electricity, travelling etc, so why is it a priority of this new Labor state government to remove such a requirement? I would be interested to know the reasons behind this.

I am also concerned that this legislation has been submitted with no consultation or reporting through the media to bring awareness of this to the public. The other things in the legislation are not a problem, but this particular area raises serious question.

Yours sincerely,

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