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To: <u>Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee</u>

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## Hi there

I'm really concerned to hear that various people are fraudulently voting at different polling booths numerous times to sway an electoral count.

I also hear that the need to show ID before voting is under review. However, this will only serve to increase and encourage fraudulent behaviour, like what is seen and despised in 3<sup>rd</sup>-world or dictatorship-governed countries.

Please retain the current requirement for voters to provide proof of identity before casting their vote. Let's keep Australia above-board wherever possible and charge those who are dishonest. If dishonest on the small things, how much more on larger and important things to everyone in Australia!

ID is a requirement widely accepted by the community and understood for good reason, and this needs to remain to ensure integrity of the electoral system and minimization of voter fraud.

Thanks so much for taking a leadership position in our community.

I urge you to stand up for what's right in this matter, and not to buckle under forces that may seem trendy or legally shady if ID standards are lost or reduced.

Thanks so much

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