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

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I cannot think of any legitimate reason to get rid of the current requirement for voters to provide proof of ID before casting their vote. I have never heard of anyone complaining about being asked to show ID and it is a requirement that we are all well accustomed to here in Australia. In fact, I am glad that we have the means and the technology to fight fraud in this way.

So why on earth would we want to take a step backwards and go to a less secure way of doing things that could endanger the integrity of the electoral system?

If for some reason this is a cost-saving measure, then I would strongly argue that we are trying to cut costs in the wrong area?

Please retain the current requirement for voters to provide proof of identity before casting their vote.

Kind regards,

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