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Governments have a responsibility to make it easy for people to vote. Can the committee guarantee that these laws won't lead to voter disenfranchisement?.

The proposed laws could have discriminatory effects on who is, and who isn't, able to vote - and the worst impact will likely be on those who live in remote communities, those who are elderly, young, disabled, homeless, or just move house frequently. Does the Committee know how what percentage of people from these groups may not be able to cast a vote if the laws are introduced?

The onerous process of checking everyone's IDs will make lines to vote longer. The staff required to do this will cost more money. The Attorney-General claims these laws will reduce 'voter impersonation' but there is no evidence that these proposals will actually reduce it, or that voter impersonation has ever made a difference in any election.

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