

**SUBMISSION TO THE LEGAL CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE  
REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**ENQUIRY INTO ELECTORAL ACT 1992 (QLD)**

The allocation of preferences must lie with the elector and continual tinkering with the Act in an attempt to keep the major parties in power is not democratic.

A case in point was the recent federal election where the Electoral and Referendum Act 1998 was enforced when it was clearly invalid. The compulsory allocation of preferences to ALL candidates on the ballot paper saw the demise of several candidates of the smaller parties who would have been elected except that the votes cast for them went to a major party.

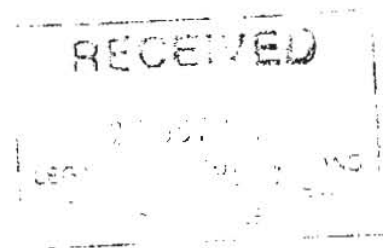
If we are going to have democracy in Queensland we must be allowed to send our preferences where we desire even if that means voting 1,2,2,2,2, which is quite legal despite assertions to the contrary from the Australian Electoral Commission.

These are the desires of the people I represent



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