



Speech by
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ELECTORAL FRAUD

Mr SULLIVAN (ChermSIDE—ALP) (10.21 a.m.): Yesterday in the House we heard coalition members speaking about voting or enrolment irregularities in a number of Federal seats. Today I would like to contribute to the widespread debate in the Chamber and refer to the 1992 State election in my seat of ChermSIDE and the Federal election in Lilley in 1993. As well, I will table documents in relation to what I have to say. In 1992 the National Party selected a Mansfield builder, Mr Doug Foggo, as its candidate. On the last day before the rolls closed, Mr Foggo enrolled in the seat of ChermSIDE at 32 Cranbourne Street, West ChermSIDE. It was a crowded house in Cranbourne Street, with three other adults enrolled there: Warren Tierney, Iver Maclurkin and an active National Party identity in the area Judith Humfress, who was a good local member for the National Party. However, we later heard that Doug Foggo did not live at any time at Cranbourne Street. It appears that all through the election and following it he continued to live at his family home at Sandringham Street, Mansfield.

In 1993 Doug Foggo stood as the National Party candidate in Lilley, where he enrolled at 32 Brickyard Road, Virginia. As I wrote in my letter of 17 March 1993 to the returning officer in Lilley, there were only two buildings in Brickyard Road, both of them factories, and yet the National Party candidate and his helper, Charles Edward Allsop, were enrolled at the factory at number 32. Again, all through this period it is clear that Foggo continued to live in his family home at Mansfield.

In the 1992 State election we also saw the Reid family enrolled at 692 Gympie Road, ChermSIDE. As I pointed out in my letter of 17 September 1992 to the Electoral Commission of Queensland, this address where constituents lived was the Liberal campaign office for the 1992 campaign. It is interesting to note that this family who supposedly lived at the office were business associates of the Liberal candidate. Before standing as a candidate in State and Federal elections on the north side of Brisbane, Foggo and his wife were enrolled at Sandringham Street, Mansfield. Today they are still enrolled at Sandringham Street.

At the time I took steps to address these concerns by writing to the Electoral Commission of Queensland and the Australian Electoral Commission in 1992 and 1993. I will forward this material to the CJC and I table this information.

Time expired.
