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Strategic Policy, Legal and Executive Services

I am emailing to express my opposition at the consideration to remove compulsory voting in Queensland.

Australia's democracy works so well because everyone over the age of 18 years has an opportunity to have a say in the direction of the Government in each of the States and Territories and at a Federal level. Many may not use this opportunity to make a difference.

Reasons against compulsory voting you have stated include:

Undemocratic – if it was undemocratic changes would have been made before now

Ill-informed etc – there are always going to be those that are not informed however it is better to have everyone vote and have a chance to have their say

Informal voting – again there will always be those that do not take the opportunity seriously

Electorates and political parties – this would only be exacerbated if it was not compulsory voting

Failure to vote – better spending resources on the little that do not votes than have too little votes

I voted for the Liberal National Party at the last election in 2012 however I did not vote for this.

Do not change the way we vote.

It is a right however inconvenient at times.

Yours faithfully
Georgie