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Good Afternoon

In regards to the reforms being considered for the Queensland electoral laws I would like to give my opinion on compulsory voting. There is no doubt in my mind that compulsory voting should remain as part of the Electoral laws. It is everyone's obligation and responsibility to ensure that they submit their vote on which political party they want to govern the State. However, unfortunately and sometimes fortunately Australians in general are a little lay back and therefore in most cases if it was not compulsory to vote they would be reluctant to go out of their way to do so.

For a lot of Queenslanders and Australians in general spending time out of your Saturday to vote is not our favourite past time and therefore we need encouragement to fulfil our responsibility and that is by making it law for compulsory voting.

If it was not compulsory to vote the number of people submitting their votes at the ballot box would drop remarkably and therefore the end result would not be a fair and true outcome from the Queensland people.

So I vote overwhelming to keep compulsory voting in.

Kind regards
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