

The Hon. Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
Parliament House  
George Street  
**BRISBANE QLD 4000**

13 January 2013

**RE : DEMOCRACY AND COMPULSORY VOTING**

The Premier of Queensland  
Hon. Campbell Newman

Dear Sir

The Hallmark of a Democracy is that voting is Compulsory.

Why?

In a Democracy the Power of Government resides with the People.

The United States of America is not a Democracy.

Why?

The Government of the USA is that of a Republic. The Power of Government resides with the Electoral College and the Supreme Court. These Bodies have the Power to elect the Government -- without reference to the People. Voting is not only not compulsory, it is not even necessary.

The Republic of Ireland is not a Democracy. Voting is not compulsory.

The United Kingdom is not a Democracy.

Why?


The Government of the United Kingdom is through a Constitutional Monarchy. The Power of Government resides with the Monarch, not the People. Voting is not compulsory.

Sweden is a Democracy. The Power of Government resides with the People. Voting is Compulsory.

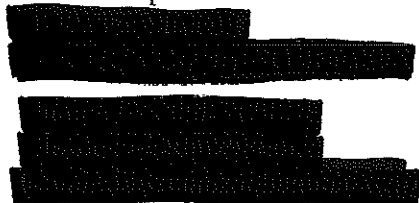
Australia is a Democracy. The Power of Government resides with the People. Voting is Compulsory.

Please do not Legislate away our Responsibilities, Rights and Resident Power as a Democracy, by making us less than a Democracy through instituting non compulsory voting.

Yours Faithfully



Brian Joseph Mines



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