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My apologies for this late submission.

Compulsory voting should remain for Queensland State elections.

My reasons for this are:

Australia and Queensland have a stable democratic system which has long featured compulsory voting. This has resulted in a government where all citizens have had to decide whether to vote for one of the candidates or to cast an informal vote.

Citizens are not forced to vote, only to attend a polling station.

We have a more engaged population and the political discourse can seek to influence the voters decision, as opposed to try to encourage them to go to the polling booth.

My preference would be for the federal, state and local governments all to use the same voting system, so that there is no confusion as to what is the correct procedure.

I prefer a full preferential voting system.

Regards,
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