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Non-Compulsory voting should **NOT** be adopted because:

1. Compulsory voting has not been an issue before it was raised by LNP government.
2. This idea has come without notice and not raised with voters before last election.
3. Likely to benefit conservative political parties more.
4. With given rise to powerful special interest groups and lobbyists has they can be perceived to be able to deliver votes at an election.
5. Will mean political parties will spend time and money on just getting people to vote. Voters will be bombarded with advertising just to vote.
6. Queensland will end up with a system like the last presidential election in the USA where only 50% of voters voted.

Voting is a right and a responsibility that should continue to be compulsory in the State of Queensland.

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