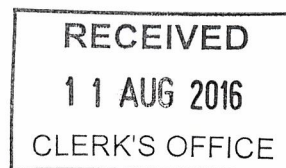




## Electoral Commissioner

Our Ref: 20160811-676, 16/684



Dr Rosemary Laing  
Clerk of the Senate  
Department of the Senate  
PO Box 6100  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Dr Laing

### Results of section 282 recounts

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Electoral Act), the AEC has conducted recounts of Senate votes for the states of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania.

The purpose of the recount for each state is to determine the order of election, as if the number of vacancies was half the number that was vacant for the double dissolution and the only candidates were those candidates elected at the election.

Consistent with section 282 of the Electoral Act, the recount:

- only includes elected Senators and the ballot papers that have one or more preferences for those Senators
- only includes formal Senate ballot papers
- does not include ballot papers that do not have any preferences for an elected Senator.

I have attached correspondence from the Australian Electoral Officer for each state, advising the results of each section 282 recount (Attachment A). Also accompanying this letter is a fact sheet outlining the application of section 282 (Attachment B, available on the AEC website, [www.aec.gov.au](http://www.aec.gov.au)).

The Senate is not bound by the outcome of the section 282 recount in determining Senate terms.

A full list of Senators elected in each state is included at Attachment C.

I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



Tom Rogers

11 August 2016

**AEC**

Australian Electoral Commission

Our Ref: N16/152

Mr Tom Rogers  
Electoral Commissioner  
Locked Bag 4007  
Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Rogers

### Results of the New South Wales section 282 recount

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, I have conducted a recount of Senate votes for the State of New South Wales. The order of election of candidates in that recount election is as follows:

1. Marise PAYNE
2. Sam DASTYARI
3. Arthur SINODINOS
4. Jenny McALLISTER
5. Fiona NASH
6. Lee RHIANNON

Yours sincerely

Doug Orr  
Australian Electoral Officer and State Manager  
For New South Wales

10 August 2016



Our Ref:

Mr Tom Rogers  
Electoral Commissioner  
Locked Bag 4007  
Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Rogers

### Results of the Victorian section 282 recount

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, I have conducted a recount of Senate votes for the State of Victoria. The order of election of candidates in that recount election is as follows:

1. Mitch FIFIELD
2. Kim CARR
3. Richard DI NATALE
4. Bridget McKENZIE
5. Stephen Michael CONROY
6. Derryn HINCH

Yours sincerely



Jeff Pope APM  
Australian Electoral Officer and State Manager for Victoria  
VIC State Office

10 August 2016



Our Ref: Q16/347

Mr Tom Rogers  
Electoral Commissioner  
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Dear Mr Rogers

**Results of the Queensland section 282 recount**

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, I have conducted a recount of Senate votes for the State of Queensland. The order of election of candidates in that recount election is as follows:

- 1 George Brandis
- 2 Murray Watt
- 3 Pauline Hanson
- 4 Matthew Canavan
- 5 Anthony Chisholm
- 6 James McGrath

Yours sincerely

Thomas Ryan  
Australian Electoral Officer  
Queensland

10 August 2016



**AEC**

Australian Electoral Commission

Our Ref: 15/90

Mr Tom Rogers  
Electoral Commissioner  
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Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Rogers

### Results of the Western Australia section 282 recount

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, I have conducted a recount of Senate votes for the State of Western Australia. The order of election of candidates in that recount election is as follows:

1. Mathias CORMANN
2. Sue LINES
3. Scott LUDLAM
4. Michaelia CASH
5. Glenn STERLE
6. Dean SMITH

Yours sincerely

Marie Neilson  
Australian Electoral Officer  
and State Manager for Western Australia

10 August 2016



Our Ref:

Mr Tom Rogers  
Electoral Commissioner  
Locked Bag 4007  
Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Rogers

**Results of the South Australia section 282 recount**

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, I have conducted a recount of Senate votes for the State of South Australia. The order of election of candidates in that recount election is as follows:

1. Simon BIRMINGHAM
2. Penny WONG
3. Nick XENOPHON
4. Cory BERNARDI
5. Don FARRELL
6. Stirling GRIFF

Yours sincerely

Paul Hawes  
Australian Electoral Officer  
for South Australia

10 August 2016





Our Ref: T16/74

Mr Tom Rogers  
Electoral Commissioner  
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Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Rogers

**Results of the Tasmanian section 282 recount**

Pursuant to section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, I have conducted a recount of Senate votes for the State of Tasmania. The order of election of candidates in that recount election is as follows:

1. Eric ABETZ
2. Anne URQUHART
3. Stephen PARRY
4. Helen POLLEY
5. Jacqui LAMBIE
6. Peter WHISH-WILSON

Yours sincerely

David Molnar  
Acting Australian Electoral Officer  
for the State of Tasmania

08 August 2016

# Determining Senate terms following a double dissolution

Section 13 of the Australian Constitution states that as soon as possible after the Senate first meets it must determine for each state, the Senators who receive six year terms and the Senators who receive three.

The term of Senators in the two territories are linked to the House of Representatives term.

To assist the Senate, section 282 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* provides that following a double dissolution of Parliament, the Australian Electoral Officer in each state conducts a recount of the ballot papers.

The purpose of the recount for each state is to determine the order of election, as if the number of vacancies was half the number that was vacant for the double dissolution and the only candidates were those elected at the election.

The recount:

- only includes elected Senators and the ballot papers that have one or more preferences for those Senators.
- only includes formal Senate ballot papers.

- does not include ballot papers that do not have any preferences for an elected Senator.

## Order of s282 recount

1. Using the AEC's automated system ascertain the number of first preference votes given for each candidate in the recount – for each of the 12 elected Senators.
2. Alter the preference numbers for elected Senators so that the candidate for the recount with the lowest preference is treated (unless it is already a first preference) as a first preference and the second lowest preference, for an elected Senator, is altered to be the second preference.

3. Continue until there are no more preferences for elected Senators.
4. Calculate the quota by dividing the total number of first preference votes by one more than half the number of candidates required to be elected and adding one to the result (ignoring any remainder).
5. Conduct the scrutiny to get the results.
6. The Electoral Commissioner advises the outcome to the Clerk of the Senate.

The Senate is not bound by the outcome of the section 282 recount in determining Senate terms.

The section 282 recount does not affect the result of the election.

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# Senators elected in each state

## New South Wales

Senator	Party	Order elected
PAYNE, Marise	Liberal	1
DASTYARI, Sam	Labor	2
SINODINOS, Arthur	Liberal	3
McALLISTER, Jenny	Labor	4
NASH, Fiona	The Nationals	5
O'NEILL, Deborah	Labor	6
FIERRAVANTI-WELLS, Concetta	Liberal	7
CAMERON, Doug	Labor	8
RHIANNON, Lee	The Greens	9
WILLIAMS, John	The Nationals	10
BURSTON, Brian	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	11
LEYONHJELM, David	Liberal Democrats	12

## Victoria

Senator	Party	Order elected
FIFIELD, Mitch	Liberal	1
CARR, Kim	Australian Labor Party	2
DI NATALE, Richard	The Greens	3
McKENZIE, Bridget	The Nationals	4
CONROY, Stephen Michael	Australian Labor Party	5
RYAN, Scott	Liberal	6
COLLINS, Jacinta	Australian Labor Party	7
PATERSON, James	Liberal	8
MARSHALL, Gavin	Australian Labor Party	9
HINCH, Derryn	Derryn Hinch's Justice Party	10
RICE, Janet	The Greens	11
HUME, Jane	Liberal	12

## Queensland

Senator	Party	Order elected
BRANDIS, George	Liberal National Party of Queensland	1
WATT, Murray	Australian Labor Party	2
HANSON, Pauline	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	3
CANAVAN, Matthew	Liberal National Party of Queensland	4
CHISHOLM, Anthony	Australian Labor Party	5
McGRATH, James	Liberal National Party of Queensland	6
MOORE, Claire	Australian Labor Party	7
MACDONALD, Ian	Liberal National Party of Queensland	8
WATERS, Larissa	The Greens	9
O'SULLIVAN, Barry	Liberal National Party of Queensland	10
KETTER, Chris	Australian Labor Party	11
ROBERTS, Malcolm	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	12

## Western Australia

Senator	Party	Order elected
CORMANN, Mathias	Liberal	1
LINES, Sue	Australian Labor Party	2
LUDLAM, Scott	The Greens (WA)	3
CASH, Michaelia	Liberal	4
STERLE, Glenn	Australian Labor Party	5
SMITH, Dean	Liberal	6
DODSON, Patrick	Australian Labor Party	7
REYNOLDS, Linda	Liberal	8
BACK, Chris	Liberal	9
PRATT, Louise	Australian Labor Party	10
CULLETON, Rodney Norman	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	11
SIEWERT, Rachel	The Greens (WA)	12



## South Australia

Senator	Party	Order elected
BIRMINGHAM, Simon	Liberal	1
WONG, Penny	Australian Labor Party	2
XENOPHON, Nick	Nick Xenophon Team	3
BERNARDI, Cory	Liberal	4
FARRELL, Don	Australian Labor Party	5
GRIFF, Stirling	Nick Xenophon Team	6
RUSTON, Anne	Liberal	7
GALLACHER, Alex	Australian Labor Party	8
FAWCETT, David	Liberal	9
KAKOSCHKE-MOORE, Skye	Nick Xenophon Team	10
HANSON-YOUNG, Sarah	The Greens	11
DAY, Bob	Family First	12

## Tasmania

Senator	Party	Order elected
ABETZ, Eric	Liberal	1
URQUHART, Anne	Australian Labor Party	2
WHISH-WILSON, Peter	The Greens	3
LAMBIE, Jacqui	Jacqui Lambie Network	4
PARRY, Stephen	Liberal	5
POLLEY, Helen	Australian Labor Party	6
DUNIAM, Jonathon	Liberal	7
BROWN, Carol	Australian Labor Party	8
BUSHBY, David	Liberal	9
SINGH, Lisa	Australian Labor Party	10
BILYK, Catryna	Australian Labor Party	11
McKIM, Nick	The Greens	12