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**The Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
ACT 2600**

Dear Sirs/Madams,

By requiring voters to number all the squares of a ballot paper the Electoral Commission is forcing the voters to vote for candidates who they consider unsuitable, or incompetent, or undesirable, or self-serving, or whose beliefs and way of life is alien to Australia and to our culture.

Yet we are required by the Electoral Commission to vote for such candidates also or suffer the consequence of our vote being declared invalid.

It appears to me that a directive by the Electoral Commission to vote for all the candidates is against inalienable rights of electors to vote for candidates of their choice only.

Is such a directive by the Electoral Commission legal? Alternatively, is the "law" under which the Electoral Commission operates lawful?

I hold that citizens with the welfare of Australia at heart should not be made to vote for a candidate who they believe will harm Australia, its institutions, and its people.

Yours faithfully



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