

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2014-15

Finance Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Electoral Commission

Outcome/Program: General

Topic: AEC Vote Count software

Senator: Rhiannon

Question reference number: F77

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: Friday, 10 April 2015

Number of pages: 1

Question:

1. Do you use software to detect multiple voting or is it done manually?
2. If you use software, what program do you use?
3. If you use software, does it incorporate algorithms?
4. Are the set of instructions for any algorithms used determined by AEC staff?

Answer:

1. The AEC made a submission in February 2015 to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters' current inquiry into the 2013 federal election on "Multiple Voting and Electoral Integrity" in which the AEC detailed its processes in relation to multiple voting. See Attachment A of submission 20.9 at the following link:
http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Electoral_Matters/2013_General_Election/Submissions.
2. – 4. Not applicable.