



House of Representatives
Ballot Paper



Victoria

Electoral Division of Higgins

Number the boxes from 1 to 8 in
the order of your choice

EQUALITY

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O'BRIEN, Rebecca
MARRIAGE EQUALITY

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TREGEAR, Jessica
DERRYN HINCH'S JUSTICE PARTY

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O'DWYER, Kelly
LIBERAL

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BALL, Jason
THE GREENS

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KENNEDY, Robert
LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

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KATTER, Carl
AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY

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BASSETT, Nancy
NICK XENOPHON TEAM

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GULLONE, Eleonora
ANIMAL JUSTICE PARTY

Remember... number **every** box to make your vote count

This is a ballot from the Australian federal election held on July 2, 2016 in the Division of Higgins, Victoria. Voters were electing a member to the Australian House of Representatives.

Single Winner Elections

Australia has used ranked choice voting in federal House of Representatives since 1918. Voters are required to rank every candidate. This is known as *full preferential voting*.

In some state and local elections, voters may rank fewer candidates. This is known as *optional preferential voting*.

Even though there is only one winner, ranking helps prevent vote splitting between similar candidates. If a candidate is eliminated, it is likely that voters will have picked a similar candidate as their next choice.

Multi-Winner Elections

Australia has been using *single transferable vote (STV)*, a multi-winner form of ranked choice voting, for federal Senate elections since 1949.

This proportional system helps ensure that even small parties can win seats in the Senate in proportion to their vote share.

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