

Australian Government

Australian Government response to the Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee report:

Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Integrity of Elections) Bill 2021

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Introduction

On 14 October 2021, the Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee tabled a report titled *Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Integrity of Elections) Bill 2021*.

The Government's response to the recommendations of the Report follows below.

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#	Recommendation	Government Response
1	The committee recommends that the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Integrity of Elections) Bill 2021 not be passed.	<u>Noted</u> The Government notes the recommendation. Given the passage of time, a substantive government response is no longer appropriate.

Dissenting report by Senator Malcolm Roberts

#	Recommendation	Government Response
1	The Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Integrity of Elections) Bill 2021 be passed with amendments.	Refer to recommendation 1 of the Majority Report.
2	The Prime Minister consider an instruction to the Auditor General to initiate a follow-up audit to the three audits conducted by the Australian National Audit Office to determine if Australian Electoral Commission processes are now fit for purpose. This report should be concluded by February 28th 2022.	Refer to recommendation 1 of the Majority Report.