

SUBMISSION

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Committee Terms of Reference:

- **The Administration of the Electoral Act 2004;**
 - o No comment
- **The resourcing available to the Tasmanian Electoral Commission;**
 - o There should be public funding for the administration of political parties.
 - o There should be public funding for candidates for election campaigns, to be set at a level that ensures proper democratic participation by voters.
- **Any deficiencies with the Electoral Act 2004;**
 - o There should be bans on political donations from for-profit corporations.
 - o There should be caps on individual political donations, except for bequests.
 - o There should not be bans on donations from not for profit organisations, provided they are not created for the purpose of political donation.
 - o There should be limits on electoral expenditure by parties and candidates and third parties.
 - o There should be prompt, comprehensive public disclosure of political donations and funding on a public website.
- **Any other matters incidental thereto.**
 - o Amend the Constitution Act 1934 to restore the number of MPs in the House of Assembly to 35.