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PROCEDURE FOR SENATE ELECTIONS.

There was a requirement at the last Senate elections held on May 3, 2025 to number six squares in the Senate paper in consecutive numbers 1 to 6 in any order.

Amongst them were [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

If all six squares were not numbered the vote was invalid.

All three of these parties are not just anathema, but deeply offensive to many voters for various reasons. [REDACTED] is an extremely racist party with deep anti Muslim and anti Asian and Anti Immigration policies. [REDACTED] is a self declared Christian organization that is offensive to non Christians and many others (anti abortion, homophobic, etc).

[REDACTED] is below comment.

The argument is that placing these parties at 4, 5 and 6 position means they are unlikely to get the voter's vote.

That is not the point!

This is similar to a Jew in Germany required to fill in a vote for Hitler in the 1920's. Any number in these squares is recognition and validation of those parties. Deeply, deeply offensive to me and I am sure many others. These parties are not benign – they are to my opinion a form of fascism.

I requested that the standing committee consider changing the legislation, so that just 3 numbers are sufficient for a vote to be valid, or even less, or for any number the vote remains valid.

A similar situation exists on the House of Representative ballot paper.

I urge the committee to recognize this issue as important.

I thank the committee for its attention to this matter,

Respectfully,