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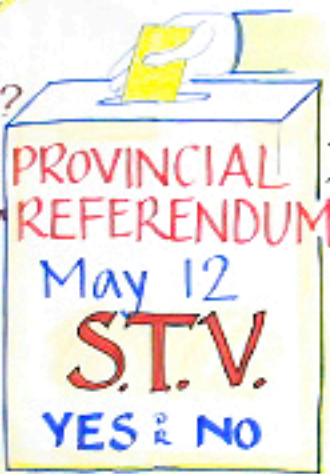
FIRST PAST THE POST.

- Typically Majority Gov'ts ?!
- Stability - Model Gov't in World/EC
- Will STV Make Gov't Function Better?
- 50% + 1 Never Happened
- System has already been reformed 
- Are We A Social Democratic Country?
- Let's Stop Bashing Politicians - Current System has been around for over 750 years

DENNIS PILON

- Why Are We Having Referendums
- Can We Do Better?
- Need Better Reflection of Votes → Seats
- Voters Not Getting Heard **DOES YOUR VOTE REALLY COUNT**
- Representative Democracy
- Difficult for NEW Parties To get in
- Hold The Gov't More to Account
- Importance of Majority To Rule
- One Party Majority Very Rare
- BC Democracy - How Is that
- Existing System Working For You? described by politicians
- No Votes Wasted • Your Preferences Registered

STV USED IN IRELAND AUSTRALIA



PROVINCIAL REFERENDUM
May 12
S.T.V.
YES OR NO

WHAT IS STV ?

Depending on % of Votes Relates to # of Seats
Riding Boundaries & Representation Revised

DIANA BYFORD



- 160 PEOPLE - REGULAR CITIZENS
- 3 MONTHS TRAINING + Doing Our Homework
- Meet The Public incl 1500 Submissions
- 1) VOTERS WANT MORE CHOICE
- 2) LOCAL REPRESENTATION
- 3) PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION
- TWO MODELS EXAMINED - IN DEPTH
- Educate - Sell - Discuss STV to Public
- No system is perfect incl STV

STV

BOB PLECAS

- Experience shows difficult to find consensus in govt
- Variety of Citizens Involved with NO STV
- 45% Global Democracy's Use First Past Post
- Rural Voters Better Represented
- Electoral Reform doesn't happen w/o politicians in the room
- Australian Senate has abandoned STV
- Only 1/10 of 1% use STV Globally
- We in EC are unique compared to Ireland, Malta, Australia
- Percentage of Votes Needed Difficult in Rural Areas
- Mixed Member Proportional Representation might be better than STV
- We should Continue To Examine Electoral Reform



WE ARE TOO BIG TO GO BY MAJORITY