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Electoral Reform – How We Vote

Recommendations from Fair Vote Sunshine Coast on the 2018 Referendum

We endorse the recommendations submitted by the Fair Vote Canada-BC Steering committee.

In addition, we want to stress the following points:

As we are in a rural area, we highlight the need to maintain local representation and to create proportionality within regions. This principle must be clearly stated in educational materials and in the referendum question(s).

It is also important that all educational materials be written in plain language and that the material focuses on the outcomes of various systems, rather than on the technical details of system mechanics.

If there are two questions on the referendum, it must be absolutely clear that the binding question be the support (or not) of the principle of Proportional Representation.

It is vital that the role of ‘big money’ be curtailed. To that end , we would suggest that the individual contribution limit be \$500, an amount which is more feasible for most people.

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