

# Exercise real choice

BRENDON Lines is right with his concern about our out-of-date voting system (*The Advertiser*, 18/8/10).

With the two-party system we are locked into accepting bad policies with the good and locked out of further decision-making for the next three years. We don't even have the power to make the winning party keep its promises.

Most democracies have several parties and they negotiate to form government. Our winning party has absolute power in the House of Representatives, where government is formed, and we have seen the abuse that results.

It's only Parliament that can hold the governing party in check and this election we have a real chance to break the stranglehold of the winning party by voting for the non-major parties and Independents first. Then we exercise real choice.

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