



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA  
Electoral Matters Committee

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### **VEC should continue to investigate a national electoral platform**

The Victorian Parliament's Electoral Matters Committee has recommended the Victorian Electoral Commission continue to explore moving to a national electoral roll platform.

The Committee's inquiry considered the possible benefits and risks of moving to a national electoral roll platform, including any implications for the independence of the VEC and any impacts on the security and integrity of Victoria's electoral system.

Since 2017, Australia's state, territory and Commonwealth electoral commissions have been working towards the development of a shared software platform. This 'national electoral platform' could support a variety of electoral functions, including the electoral roll. It has the potential to improve cyber security and to provide cost savings and efficiencies for electoral commissions over time.

"Given that the national electoral roll platform is still in the concept phase, the Committee cannot definitively say whether moving to it would be in Victoria's interest," the Committee report found.

The Committee's conclusion is that it is worthwhile for the VEC to continue working with other commissions to explore the possibility of a national electoral platform, including a national electoral roll platform.

The report is available on the Committee's [website](#).

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