

Inquiry into the Impact of Social Media on Elections and Electoral Administration Survey

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SURVEY

Q1. Encouraging social media platforms to take more action against inappropriate activities (such as bots, harassment, trolling, spreading fake news).

Response: Very good idea

It's obvious. People believe everything they read on social media. There should be a 2 week blackout on any political comment on social "media" prior to any election

Q2. The government funding media literacy campaigns to help people know what they can trust online.

Response: Not sure

If it's from the Govt nobody will read it, or just take the opposing view

Q3. Requiring public disclosure of all online political advertising (for example, webpages created by social media platforms showing all of the political advertising on their platform and who paid for it, or webpages created by parties/candidates showing all of the online ads they have run).

Response: Very good idea

But how will it be policed

Q4. Requiring online electoral advertising to state who paid for it.

Response: Very good idea

Gives it or shows lack of, credibility

Q5. Government support for independent and trust-worthy organisations that can fact-check claims or identify misinformation.

Response: Very good idea

Allows a shout out warning to gullible voters

Q6. Using independent organisations (e.g. the Victorian Electoral Commission) as a source of reliable information about electoral candidates.

Response: Very good idea

Adds credibility to information

Q7. New laws requiring truth in political advertising.

Response:

Haaaaaaa!!!

Q8. Are there other things you'd like to see the government do relating to social media or online advertising and elections?

Response: Blackouts prior to elections