



Democratic Labour Party

Vindicated

The Australian Electoral Commission has reviewed its April 2015 decision to de-register the Democratic Labour Party and has overturned that decision.

The DLP has been reinstated to the register of political parties and keeps its status as the 4th longest running political party in Australian Federal politics.

“It’s been a long time coming” said Federal Secretary Steve Campbell “but I think the arguments we put to the AEC and the fact that we could easily verify that we had well over the required 500 members convinced them that their original decision should be set aside.”

“With a Federal election looming it was starting to look a little doubtful that we would be able to run, but in the end the AEC were extremely professional and handled the matter well.”

“While the DLP wishes the original decision had not been made in the first place we do accept part of the blame for not originally providing an adequate list of members in a timely manner. No criticism of the AEC, it’s just good to know that Democratic Labour will be running candidates in every state this year.”

“The changes in the Senate voting system are incredibly undemocratic and will make it extremely difficult for anyone but the major parties, the Greens or an opportunistic Xenophon group to gain a seat.

“With the DLP Senate seat currently being illegitimately occupied by the do nothing John Madigan it makes it doubly hard to promote our policies and principles.”

However, we have been working on several ideas that may see the party and our policies become far more prominent in the coming election. Our aim is to once again represent the people of Victoria and to show the electorate that it is possible to be a Labour party without abandoning our principles or forcing same sex marriage down the throats of our members and voters.

True labour people of principle will always find a home in the DLP.

Steve Campbell

Federal Secretary

Democratic Labour Party (DLP)