

ELECTION 2010 Essential Pro-Life VOTING GUIDE FAMILY LIFE INTERNATIONAL AUSTRALIA



HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

The aim of this voter's guide is to help you to cast your vote in an informed manner consistent with your Christian faith. It will help you to avoid choosing candidates who endorse policies that cannot be reconciled with the moral norms once held by *all* Christians. If our task was to merely select the most effective *strategy* among several morally good options, then a Christian could take one side or the other and not act contrary to their faith. But some issues concern 'non-negotiable' moral principles with no room for exceptions or compromise. This pro-life voter's guide is comprised of two documents: the House of Reps guide (green) and the Senate guide (red).

THE LOWER HOUSE (HOUSE OF REPS)

This part of the guide is green because the Lower House is colloquially known as the 'green house' owing to the colour of the leather seats in that House. The party who wins the most seats in the Lower House will form the next government. Your vote in the Lower House will inevitably end up helping either the Labor Party or the Coalition to win the election. Only 3 of the 150 seats are currently represented by Independents, so this illustrates that even if you vote for an Independent or a Minor Party as your first preference it will still count as a vote for either Labor or the Coalition. Very often both major parties nominate less than perfect candidates in your Lower House seat. This means as you order the ballot, it is often a case of choosing the lesser of two evils.

In this document you will find the full list of the current sitting members of the Federal House of Representatives. You will be able to see who currently holds the seat in your electorate and if they have voted on any past Bills concerning the life issues. On the back page we will then focus on some 'key marginal electorates' that pro-lifers should watch closely on election night. The seats that were decided by a small margin during the last election (2007) will matter the most in this election. 'Safe seats' with a wide margin never change hands so they are strategically less important. Keep this guide handy on election night and it will help you to analyse the result updates from a pro-life perspective.

THE 5 NON-NEGOTIABLES

The following are 5 'non-negotiable' issues to help you narrow down the list of acceptable candidates. **1.** Abortion **2.** Euthanasia **3.** Embryonic Stem Cell Research **4.** Human Cloning **5.** Homosexual 'Marriage'. We should avoid, to the greatest extent possible, voting for candidates who endorse or promote intrinsically evil policies. As far as possible, we should vote for those who promote policies in line with the moral law.



Parties and Groups



PGPD

The Parliamentary Group on Population and Development are MPs committed to the goal of population reduction. PGPD members lobby for increased funding of anti-life government programs (contraception, sex education and abortion), especially in third world countries. They are the 'death peddlers' within the Australian parliament.

EMILY'S LIST

EMILY's List is an acronym which stands for 'Early Money Is Like Yeast'. It is a group that raises funds for radically pro-abortion female candidates, exclusively for the Labor Party. If elected, all members of the List are obliged to support pro-abortion legislation. It is crucial for pro-lifers to always oppose them at every turn. These candidates are a bio-hazard!

Many candidates are members of parties and/or groups that as a collective contravene one or more of the 5 non-negotiables. The most glaring anti-life non-party groups are detailed above - Emily's List and the PGPD (Parliamentary Group on Population & Development). It is also important to look to anti-life policies in the platform of a political party and how each party preferences their vote. Even if both of the major parties are running tainted or completely anti-life candidates in your lower house seat, some smaller parties that are fundamentally pro-life in their policies do represent a viable vote in the Senate (upper house). Please see red sheet for instructions on how to vote for the Senate where, in many ways, your vote can be more powerful.

KEY

This centerfold is a full list of all the current MPs for each state who are re-contesting their seat. Their membership to *Emily's List* and/or the *PGPD* is indicated by the icons and the numbers correspond to a specific anti-life vote on their record.*



- **1.** Euthanasia Bill (1996) **2.** Embryo Experimentation Bill (2002)
- 3. Abortion Pill Bill (RU486) (2005) **PGPD 4.** Human Cloning Bill (2006)

Many of the current members have not held office long enough to cast a vote on a life issue. Simply because there is no mark against their name does not necessarily make them pro-life! A tick indicates a member whose position is ostensibly pro-life. * Information gathered directly from the House of Representatives Hansards

VIC				
Aston	Member Retired	Lib	23	
Ballarat	KING, Catherine	ALP	2 3 4	
Batman	FERGUSON, Martin	ALP	1234	
Bendigo	GIBBONS, Steve	ALP	234	
Bruce	GRIFFIN, Alan	ALP	1234	
Calwell	VAMVAKINOU, Maria	ALP	234	
Casey	SMITH, Tony	Lib	23	
Chisholm	BURKE, Anna	ALP	23	
Corangamite	CHEESEMAN, Darren	ALP		
Corio	MARLES, Richard	ALP		
Deakin	SYMON, Mike	ALP		
Dunkley	BILLSON, Bruce	Lib	234	
Flinders	HUNT, Greg	Lib	234	
Gellibrand	ROXON, Nicola	ALP	234	
Gippsland	CHESTER, Darren	Nats		
Goldstein	ROBB, Andrew	Lib		V
Gorton	O'CONNOR, Brendan	ALP	234	
Higgins	O'DWYER, Kelly	Lib		
Holt	BYRNE, Anthony	ALP		V
Hotham	CREAN, Simon	ALP	1234	
Indi	MIRABELLA, Sophie	Lib		V
Isaacs	DREYFUS, Mark	ALP		
Jagajaga	MACKLIN, Jenny	ALP	8 2 3 4	
Kooyong	Member Retired	Lib	1234	
La Trobe	WOOD, Jason	Lib	23	
Lalor	GILLARD, Julia	ALP	A 2 3 4	
Mallee	FORREST, John	Nats		V
Maribyrnong	SHORTEN, Bill	ALP		
McEwen	Member Retired	Lib	234	
McMillan	BROADBENT, Russell	Lib	4	
Melbourne	Member Retired	ALP	234	
Melbourne Ports	DANBY, Michael	ALP	A 3	
Menzies	ANDREWS, Kevin	Lib		V
Murray	STONE, Sharman	Lib	2 3 4	
Scullin	JENKINS, Harry	ALP	1234	
Wannon	Member Retired	Lib		V
Wills	Thomson, Kelvin	ALP	2 3	



REA, Kerry

NEUMANN, Shayne

LAMING, Andrew *

LIVERMORE, Kirsten

Member Retired

SOMLYAY, Alexander

BEVIS, Archibald

DUTTON, Peter

ROBERT, Stuart

SLIPPER, Peter

TREVOR. Chris

RAGUSE, Brett

RUDD, Kevin

NEVILLE, Paul

KATTER, Bob

TURNOUR, Jim

SWAN, Wayne

SCOTT, Bruce

CIOBO, Steven

RIPOLL, Bernie

D'ATH, Yvette

TRUSS, Warren

GRAY, Gary

RANDALL, Don

SIMPKINS, Luke

BISHOP, Julie

HAASE, Barry

MARINO, Nola

PARKE, Melissa

WASHER, Mal

TUCKEY, Wilson

MOYLAN, Judi

IRONS, Steve

JENSEN, Dennis

SMITH, Stephen *

KEENAN, Michael

* SMITH, Stephen - approved funding for abortions overseas.

JACKSON, Sharryn

EMERSON, Craig

JOHNSON, Michael

* LAMING, Andrew - has performed late term abortions.

SULLIVAN, Jon

Member Retired

PERRETT, Graham

MacFARLANE, Ian

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Groom

Herbert

Hinkler

Lilley

Kennedy

Leichhardt

Longman

Maranoa

McPherson

Moncrieff

Moreton

Oxley

Petrie

Rankin

Ryan Wide Bay

WA Brand

Canning

Cowan

Curtin

Durack Forrest

Fremantle

Hasluck

Moore

Pearce Perth

Stirling

Swan

Tangney

O'Connor

Capricornia

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SA

Adelaide	ELLIS, Kate	ALP 23		
Barker	SECKER, Patrick	Lib		
Boothby	SOUTHCOTT, Andrew	Lib	Lib 234	
Grey	RAMSEY, Rowan	Lib		
Hindmarsh	GEORGANAS, Steve	ALP	34	
Kingston	RISHWORTH, Amanda	ALP		
Makin	ZAPPIA, Tony	ALP		
Mayo	BRIGGS, Jamie	Lib		
Port Adelaide	BUTLER, Mark	ALP		
Sturt	PYNE, Christopher	Lib		\checkmark
Wakefield	CHAMPION, Nick	ALP		

TAS

Bass	Member Retired	ALP		
Braddon	SIDEBOTTOM, Sid	ALP		
Denison	Member Retired	ALP	1 2 3 4	
Franklin	COLLINS, Julie	ALP	R	
Lyons	ADAMS, Dick	ALP	24	

ACT

Canberra	Member Retired	ALP 🛞 2 3 4
Fraser	Member Retired	ALP 🕵 1234

NT

Lingiari	SNOWDON, Warren	ALP	234	
Solomon	HALE, Damian	ALP		

NEW EMILY'S LIST CANDIDATES

VIC	Dunkley	CONSTAS, Helen	ALP	B
VIC	Indi	LESCHEN, Zuvele	ALP	Ì
Vic	La Trobe	SMYTH, Laura	ALP	X
Vic	Melbourne	BOWTELL, Cath	ALP	Ø
VIC	Menzies	BANERJI, Joy	ALP	X
Vic	Wannon	McNAMARA, Judith	ALP	(\mathbf{x})
NSW	Bradfield	GALLARD, Sarah	ALP	X
NSW	Mackellar	BEATIE, Linda	ALP	(
NSW	Macquarie	TEMPLEMAN, Susan	ALP	X
NSW	Nth Sydney	WEBB, Leta	ALP	Ì
QLD	Bowman	PETERS, Jenny	ALP	X
QLD	Dickson	McNAMARA, Fiona	ALP	X
QLD	Wide Bay	ANSELL, Nikolee	ALP	Ì
WA	Canning	MacTiernan, Alannah	ALP	Ì
WA	Forest	JARVIS, Jackie	ALP	X
WA	Stirling	DURACK, Louise	ALP	X
ACT	Canberra	BRODTMANN, Gai	ALP	X

N.B. SAME-SEX LAW REFORM BILL (2008) The major parties were not permitted a conscience vote on this Bill. Unfortunately, the Bill passed with bi-partisan support at the Third Reading in November 2008, leaving us one step closer to the legalisation of homosexual 'marriage'.

MARGINAL & KEY SEATS Important Electorates for Pro-Lifers

NON-PREFFERED Candidate Details

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ELECTORATE NAME, MARGIN & DETAILS Preferred Candidate Details

Damian Hale (ALP) Not suitable for parliament. Serious personal issues. Very important he loses this extremely marginal seat.



Federal Seat of Solomon, NT ALP Margin of 0.2% Darwin metro area, incorporating the Darwin & Palmerston City Council areas



Natasha Griggs (CLP) Not much is known about this Country Liberal. Married. Must win seat for Coalition. CLP generally conservative.

Susan Templeman (ALP) EMILY's List Candidate. Board of Directors for Family Planning NSW. Long-term anti-life associations.



Federal Seat of Macquarie, NSW ALP Margin of 0.3% Covers the Blue Mountains and Hawkesbury local government areas



Louise Markus (LIB) Pro-life voting record. Opposed RU486 and won pro-life award from ACL. Practicing Christian.

Fiona Macnamara (ALP) EMILY's List Candidate. Feminist. Former 'Women's Officer' for the Australian Education Union.

Federal Seat of Dickson, QLD ALP Margin of 0.8% Kurwongbah, Petrie, Strathpine, Albany Creek, Ferny Hills, Everton Hills, Murrumba Dns & Kallangur



Peter Dutton (LIB) Mixed voting record. Voted against abortion pill but in favour of embryo research. He is against gay marriage.

Janelle Saffin (ALP) EMILY's List Candidate. Supported abortion pill as a state MP. Campaigned for 'transgender rights'.



Murrumba Dns & Kallangur
Federal Seat of Page, NSW
ALP Margin of 2.4%

Covers Grafton & also Casino, Lismore

and Ballina in the Richmond River valley

Kevin Hogan (NAT) Spent 7 years as a Catholic HS teacher at St Mary's, Casino. Not much known about his views on life issues.

Kerry Rea (ALP) EMILY's List Candidate. Enthusiastic supporter of homosexual lobby. Won seat in 2007.



Federal Seat of Bonner, QLD ALP Margin of 4.5% Brisbane inner-eastern suburbs



Ross Xavier Vasta (LIB) Pro-life voting record. Opposed RU486 and human cloning whilst a member for this seat from 2004-2007.

Rick Sarre (ALP) University Professor in Law. 'Progressive' side of legal fraternity. Life issue stance unknown.

Federal Seat of Sturt, SA LIB Margin of 0.9% Adelaide eastern suburbs stretched in a north-south line between Mt Barker Road and Grand Junction Road



Chris Pyne (LIB) Pro-life voting record. Seat in danger because Gillard is polling well in SA. Pyne received ACL award.

Alannah MacTiernan (ALP) EMILY's List Candidate. Serial drink-driver. Supported abortion as state MLA. Pro homosexual lobby.

Federal Seat of Canning, WA LIB Margin of 4.4% Perth's SE suburbs; extends down the SW Highway to Waroona & along the Albany Highway to Boddington



Don Randall (LIB) Pro-life voting record. Opposed RU486 and human cloning Bills. Won a pro-life award from ACL.

Joy Banerji (ALP) EMILY's List Candidate. Local councillor. Her mother was a founding member of radical feminist group WEL.



Federal Seat of Menzies, VIC LIB Margin of 6.0% Bulleen, Doncaster, Templestowe, Donvale, Warrandyte and Wonga Park



Kevin Andrews (LIB) Pro-life voting record. Led anti-euthanasia campaign. High profile practicing Catholic.

N.B. There are other important seats and this is just a small snapshot of the electorates that will decide this election. Not all the candidates in the right column are perfectly pro-life, however, they do, at the very least, represent the lesser of two evils.

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