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**To:** DLGSC Act Review  
**Cc:** Ken Parker  
**Subject:** Comment on online voting in Western Australia

**Categories:** Acknowledgement email sent, Vanessa

Dear ACT review,

Please find attached a submission we made to an independent NSW review of the iVote Internet voting system. Although written for NSW, I think the contents are very relevant for WA because the system is the same and the proposed uses seem similar.

I'd also suggest that any Western Australian review ask some important questions about the 2017 run of iVote in the WA state election. For example:

- How many voters tried to verify their votes?
  - What fraction failed?
  - What was the first-preference vote distribution for votes cast over iVote vs those cast on paper, for each electorate/division? Were there discrepancies?
- etc.

I'd also very strongly suggest trying to get a copy of the NSWEC's report into iVote, by Roger Wilkins. [http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/about\\_us/plans\\_and\\_reports/independent\\_reports/report\\_on\\_the\\_vote\\_system](http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/about_us/plans_and_reports/independent_reports/report_on_the_vote_system) I hear that it has been completed but not released to the public, but I'd hope it might be available to other Australian decisionmakers.

You're very welcome to contact me on [REDACTED] if you would like to discuss these issues any further, or if there are any specific issues relevant to WA that aren't covered in our NSW submission.

Kind regards,  
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"The only way to rectify our reasonings is to make them as tangible as those of the Mathematicians, so that we can find our error at a glance, and when there are disputes among persons, we can simply say: Let us calculate, without further ado, to see who is right." --- Leibniz

