



The 8 Successful Constitutional Referendums

1906

Senate Elections

To enable elections for both Houses of Federal Parliament to be held at the same time.

82.65% in favour

1967

Aboriginal People

To enable the Commonwealth the power to enact laws for Aboriginal people.

To allow Aboriginal people to be counted in the Federal and State Census.

90.77 % in favour

1910

State Debts

To give the Federal Government unrestricted power to take over State Government debts.

54.95% in favour

1977

Senate Casual Vacancies

To allow a person of the same political party (as chosen by the people) to fill a position in the Senate if a position becomes available. The person is also able to hold the position for the balance of the term.

73.32% in favour

1928

State Debts

To end the system of per capita payments made by the Commonwealth to the State Governments.

To have a loan council to control the borrowing of each State for its own development.

74.30 % in favour

1977

Referendums

All electors in the Territories are able to vote in Constitutional referendums, the same as States.

77.72% in favour

1946

Social Services

To allow the Commonwealth the power to legislate on a wide range of social services.

54.39% in favour

1977

Retirement of Judges

A retiring age for judges of Federal courts is included.

80.10 % in favour

References

Information retrieved from: https://www.aec.gov.au/Elections/referendums/Referendum_Dates_and_Results.htm