



An Overview of the **ABSOLUTE REPRESENTATION** Electoral System

Do you feel poorly represented by our current
First-Past-The-Post electoral system?

...but...

Not particularly enthusiastic about any of the many versions of
Proportional Representation?

If "Yes" to both questions please consider the
ABSOLUTE REPRESENTATION ELECTORAL SYSTEM
as your
Alternative Electoral system of choice!

There is a growing disenchantment with the flaws of the First-Past-The-Post (FPTP) electoral system in many of the world's democracies that are still using it. Where that disenchantment exists the discussion to date has been on completely replacing it with one of the multiple varieties of Proportional Representation (PR) electoral systems.

Instead of replacing the First-Past-The-Post (FPTP) and throwing out its strengths along with its flaws the Absolute Representation Electoral System will correct FPTP's flaws and retain its strengths. It will retain FPTP's simplicity, functional systems, tested infrastructure and existing legal framework and then augment it with Delegated, Active & Effective Voting (DAEV).

With this combination of FPTP & DAEV the Absolute Representation system will not only correct the flaws in FPTP that PR systems are intended to correct it will also correct FPTP flaws that PR systems don't address and avoid flaws that exist in PR systems. And...it will do so...

- with no changes or additional cost to the existing FPTP systems and infrastructure required,
- with the implementation and maintenance costs of the DAEV portion of the AR system being flexible from minimal to moderate depending on the methods chosen, and
- without the vote counting contortions and/or party list dependencies that are the primary flaws in all the various PR systems. Flaws which generate one mix or another of semi-proportional and/or party biased representation.

The AR system will create more benefits to citizenry, our society and to the way we govern ourselves than either FPTP alone or any PR system could ever come close to matching.

Most importantly Absolute Representation makes every citizen's vote count effectively all the time and will, therefore, finally fulfill the democratic ideal of one person one vote all the way from the voter to the Governing Body for any level of government adopting it in any size of population for the full mandate of the Governing Party.

For full details on the Absolute Representation Electoral System including a long list of benefits, a calendar and update information please visit www.AbsoluteRepresentation.ca **Queries, suggestions & feedback welcome!**