

FIRST NATIONS VOICE TO THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT

VOTE

Elections held for multiple regions



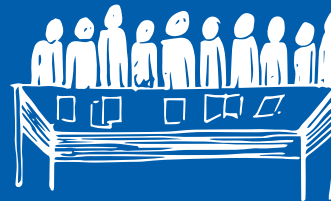
Talk about local issues & share views

Collaborate with public sector agencies, local government and other organisations

STATE FIRST NATIONS VOICE

Two presiding members from each local voice region

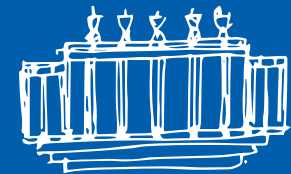
Equal number of men & women



GOVERNMENT



Engage Ministers & Chief Executives



PARLIAMENT

- Entitled to be heard on Bills in Parliament
- Present reports
- Make annual address to Parliament



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The First Nations Voice Bill 2023 will establish Australia's first Voice to Parliament for First Nations people in South Australia.



Background

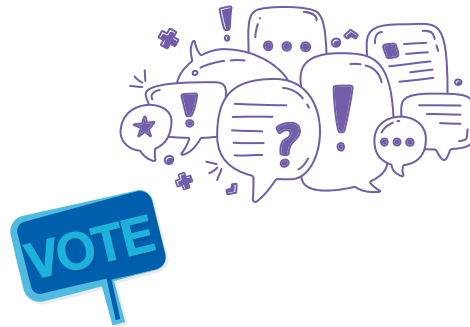
The Government has committed to a state-based implementation of the Uluru Statement from the Heart, starting with a First Nations Voice to Parliament.

South Australia is the first state in Australia to establish a First Nations Voice to Parliament.

This is an important step forward for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to have their voices heard, from the grassroots to the highest decision-makers in our state.

What is the Voice?

The First Nations Voice to Parliament will deliver a connected, direct and independent line of communication for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to South Australia's Parliament and the government.



In Parliament, this will mean addressing bills of interest to First Nations people, making an annual address to Parliament and providing reports to Parliament.

South Australia's First Nations Voice will be made up of several Local First Nations Voice bodies and a State First Nations Voice. The State Voice will be made up of two representatives from each Local First Nations Voice.

The Local First Nations Voice bodies will be elected. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will be able to vote for who they want to represent their community.

When will the Voice be implemented?

The Parliament has now passed the First Nations Voice legislation.

The Electoral Commission of South Australia will set a date for the first South Australian Local Voice elections which will be held in 2023. At this election, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in South Australia will be able to vote for who they want to represent them on their Local Voice.

Next steps

The Commissioner for First Nations Voice, Dale Agius, will be continuing to engage with community over the coming weeks, to share information on the model that has been passed by State Parliament.

As planning for the first election of the Local First Nations Voices gets underway, more information will be provided on how to nominate and vote.

What can I do now?

If you are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and living in South Australia, please check that you are on South Australia's electoral roll and that your details are correct.

To check your enrolment details, go to: <https://www.ecsa.sa.gov.au>

How can I learn more?

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