

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Marshalling the Christian vote**

Christian advocacy group FamilyVoice Australia has urged the major political parties to recognise the significance of the conservative Christian vote ahead of this week's state election.

"The Premier and Opposition Leader should urgently restore their credibility among Christian voters, following last year's legislative trainwreck," said FamilyVoice Spokesman David d'Lima.

"Premier Steven Marshall and most Liberals voted for abortion and euthanasia, contrary to a massive out-pouring of concern from Christians and others," he said.

"Opposition Leader Malinauskis and most of his ALP colleagues also voted for abortion and euthanasia, but unlike the Premier, he personally rejected a bill to approve the prostitution trade."

Last year MPs received a massive number of communications about the controversial abortion bill and about 5,000 people marched past parliament on a very wet Saturday (6th February 2021), while only about 200 rallied in favour of the bill on a sunny day one week later.

"MPs largely ignored the massive show of community concern about the abortion bill, that surely represents hundreds of thousands of upset voters," David d'Lima said.

"The government cannot be expected to return to power unless it decides to marshal support among Christian conservatives, by promising to re-visit the law on prostitution and euthanasia while also ruling out any removal of religious freedom exemptions from the Equal Opportunity Act."

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