

# PRESENTATION SUMMARY

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KAMLOOPS PUBLIC HEARING DATED  
17 JUNE 2004 AT THE COAST CANADIAN

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE PRESENTATION TO THE CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY ON ELECTORAL REFORM. IT ATTEMPTS TO CAPTURE THE KEY ISSUES AND ARGUMENTS THAT WERE PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING. IN SOME INSTANCES, THE PRESENTER HAS ALSO MADE A SUBMISSION TO THE ASSEMBLY AND THIS IS ACCESSIBLE VIA THE WEBSITE AT [WWW.CITIZENSASSEMBLY.BC.CA](http://WWW.CITIZENSASSEMBLY.BC.CA) BY CLICKING ON "GET INVOLVED". IF SUCH A SUBMISSION IS AVAILABLE, IT WILL BE NOTED AT THE END OF THIS REPORT.

# Anne Grube

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## DESCRIPTION OF PRESENTATION

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Brief oral presentation regarding my suggestion for changes to the electoral system.

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## KEY THEMES

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Anne Grube argued that the electoral system needs to change because many voters feel that their vote never counts. She told the hearing that her son, who is very involved in social justice issues and politically active, is not intending to vote because he is so disenchanted with the political system. She criticized the lack of social diversity in the legislature and described most MLAs as well-off, white, middle-aged males of Western European heritage. Ms Grube argued that women and minorities would be better represented under a proportional representation electoral system. She supported the introduction of MMP to address the inequalities in British Columbia.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Anne Grube recommended the introduction of MMP in British Columbia.

*Quote: "We need a political system that is fair to voters."*

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## QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PANEL

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There were no questions or comments from the panel.

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## QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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There were no questions or comments from the audience.

**SUBMISSION: NO**