

Question 23 (5 marks)

Outline how ONE human right has been legally recognised.

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Universal suffrage was declared a human right in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. This was widely ratified into domestic legislation in Australia, ~~the~~ equal voting rights started with the state of South Australia (Victoria was the last to sign). It is today contained within the Australian constitution, concretising it as a right of which cannot be taken away, unless a referendum is passed. This gives legal rights for everyone of voting age, ~~and of~~ ~~the~~ that is an Australian citizen, regardless of gender, ethnicity, religious group, or ~~and~~ any other differentiating characteristic, the right to vote ~~states~~ for their desired government of election time. The equal right to vote was first codified nationally in law by New Zealand in 1893, & the UK later did so too in 1928.