The Australian Women's Register

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Women in Politics: Liberal Party of Australia

Summary

Since its formation in 1944, the Liberal Party has 'inherited a tradition of women's political activism' and offered a women's policy statement in both the 1946 and 1949 elections.

A Federal Women's Committee was established in 1945 and incorporated in the party's constitution the following year. Since then, 'The Committee has had representation on the Federal Executive... and the party's federal Constitution requires the vice-president of the party to be a woman.'

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