



The Federal Redistribution 2009
QUEENSLAND



Objection Number 69

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Dear Sir,

While it is important to give consideration to trying to give a one vote one value, when reviewing electoral boundaries, it may also be equally important to giving equal opportunity for access to the elected representative, This does not have much importance in metropolitan electorates or in electorates like Kennedy and Cook where such considerations are extremely difficult but there are numerous regional electorates throughout Australia where redistributions mean that instead of the Representative for that electorate being located centrally, they are being located on the extremities which means that constituents have some hundreds of Kilometres to travel for an appointment or alternatively the Representatives have to have offices in other towns which are not fully equipped with all of the relative information required.

The effect of that is that the Representative spends much of the time available for consultations, sitting in a car being largely unproductive or waiting at country airports losing valuable time when they could be doing more to represent that electorate. I offer this thought for your consideration,

Kind Regards,

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