



Objection 411

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Subject: Redistribution Corangamite

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Dear Sir

I came to Colac in 1979 and worked as a solicitor in Colac for over 30 years and currently have a home office practice at Birregurra where I have lived since 1981. I still have business interests in Colac which is my principal business centre.

I write to object to the proposed redistribution which to me seems inappropriate because:

The Corangamite electorate which is a federation seat deserves to be retained although there may be some need to adjust the boundaries. I attended a meeting arranged by the Colac Otway Shire where an alternate boundary, retaining the name Corangamite, and Colac as the principal rural town in the electorate seemed a sensible and viable option.

The proposal to move Colac into the Wannon electorate seems most inappropriate as their is absolutely no community of interest out to the north and west of Colac. Colac as part of the Corangamite electorate has much in common with the Geelong region and the accessibility of electors to offices in Colac and Waurn ponds provides good accessibility to the local member compared to Hamilton which would become to major rural city in the Wannan electorate.

AS a Birregurra resident the proposed new electorate of Cox does not provide the community of interest with Colac which I consider would be detrimental to the area.

Yours sincerely

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