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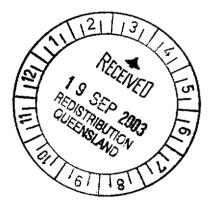
Ms Anne Bright Australian Electoral Officer, Queensland 7th Floor, Collection House 488 Queen Street Brisbane QLD 4000

Thursday, September 18, 2003

Dear Ms Bright

Please find attached the Liberal Party of Australia, Queensland Division's objections to the redistribution of Federal electoral districts in Queensland.

BRENDAN COOPER STATE DIRECTOR



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Liberal Party of Australia (Queensland Division) Submission regarding Objections To Redistributions Proposals

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the AEC redistribution proposals for all Federal Divisions in Queensland. The Liberal Party proposes only a small number of changes to the Commissions draft Divisions. These proposals will create changes within the Divisions of Moreton, Griffith, Longman and Fisher.

Moreton/Griffith

The Liberal Party proposes a direct interchange of the suburbs of Yeronga and Annerley. The suburb of Yeronga is currently contained within the Electoral Division of Moreton and it is proposed that it remain so in the newly proposed Division. This will allow for a retention of its community of interest alongside the suburb of Yerongpilly, which is also a river based suburb. It is proposed to return the following geographical area to the electorate of Moreton. We recommend the suburb boundary be used along William Parade and Venner Road at the north-west end heading south along the railway line and joining the Brisbane River south of Ortive Street. The Brisbane River would then become the western boundary of Moreton.

We also recommend that following geographical area be placed into the Division of Griffith. It is proposed to follow the suburban boundary for Annerley, which runs adjacent to Broadmere Street, Oakwood Street, Villa Street, Ipswich Road, Clifton Street, Tennessee Avenue, Percy Street, Tarragindi Road, Ekibin Road and Willis Street to the Pacific Motorway.

The suburb of Annerley has a greater commonality of interests with the suburbs of Fairfield and Dutton Park. This change will also allow for the suburb of Annerley to be wholly contained within the proposed Division of Griffith rather than be split between two divisions (of Moreton and Griffith).

The exchange of these two areas creates only a very marginal difference in voter population between the two electorates, and both remain easily within the quota requirements of this redistribution.

Longman /Fisher

This submission recommends the transferring of the Landsborough community to the Division of Fisher and thereby allowing the communities of Connondale and Maleny to be retained within the Division of Longman. To achieve this it is suggested that the boundary follow Glasshouse Mountain Road heading west from the Bruce Highway then moving south along the boundary of the State Forest in the vicinity of where Forestry Road adjoins Glasshouse Mountains Road and then following Fraser Road to where it again joins Glasshouse Mountains Road then linking Clarkes Road and moving south along Old Gympie Road linking with Peachester Road. The boundary would then continue west along Peachester Road where it would then head north-east along Peachester-Bald Knob Road to Landsborough-Maleny Road then north along Maleny-Montville Road then following the Caloundra local government boundary which gives effect to returning the communities of Maleny and Connondale to the proposed division of Longman.

This interchange of geographical areas ensures that the division of Fisher remains more coastal in nature. At the same time this allows for the Maleny and Connondale areas to retain links to the similar areas of Woodford and Peachester in the Division of Longman. In addition the inclusion of Landsborough in the Division of Fisher allows it to be linked to the other railway connected towns of Mooloolah and Eudlo within the same Division.

While the recommended changes will result in an increase in the voting population in Longman and a reduction in elector numbers in Fisher both Divisions will still remain within the quota limits.

General

Copies of the maps showing the geographical changes recommended by the Liberal Party are attached to this written submission to assist the Commissioners in their deliberations.

19 September, 2003

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