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Subject Re Proposed Electoral Boundary Changes in Calare

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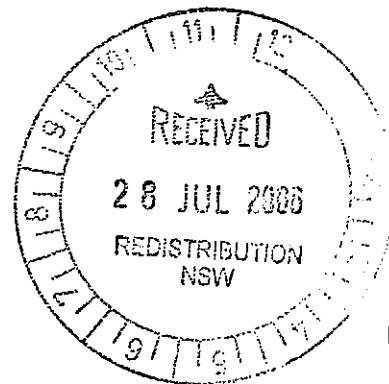
Dear Sir

I strongly object to the proposed changes to the electoral boundaries of Calare and Macquarie. I believe that this proposal doesn't adequately reflect the communities involved, from the strongly urban based Blue Mountains to the rural industries & market towns of the Central West. The strengths of both regions are very different there many local people feel there is a lack of common community interests.

There are also separate local Central West newspapers, radio and television stations and local services which underscore the separate nature of the 2 areas.

Given the lack of rail links beyond Lithgow then the Great Western Highway would be the only major link between the two areas. Bathurst & Orange have airports but this link is useless for the Blue Mountains. If the proposal is adopted, travel and electorate access requirements for any incoming Member would be totally unrealistic and would not serve the interests of either group of communities. My understanding of the current Calare boundaries is that numbers contained in the region satisfy electoral requirements.

Yours sincerely  
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