



The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES

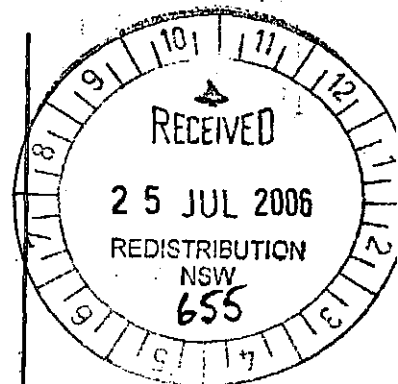


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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

The original Constitution was set to ensure that people had representation per head of population, but now the far west electorates of NSW are becoming so large that people are losing "Fair Representation" due to tyranny of distance, and as a resident & voter wish to object in the strongest manner to the "Proposed Redistribution".

The committee noted a strong link between Wentworth & Broken Hill. What rubbish!. The only way to travel between the two towns is by your own vehicle, and as for Wentworth being isolated, it is just over the river (20KM) from one of Victoria's largest cities, Mildura. Broken Hill is truly isolated being 500km from Adelaide, 900km from Dubbo and 300km from Mildura.

Broken Hill has strongest connections with Adelaide in Medical assistance and family connections, with Dubbo, Orange and Bathurst in Health and Education services and very strong ties with Menindee, Wilcannia, Tibooburra and White Cliffs on a social and cultural level.

This proposed redistribution places Broken Hill out of the area where we source our water supply (The Menindee Lakes/Darling River) and from the source of their water through Qld, North NSW (Bourke) via the Darling River System.

In these days of OH & S, it would seem to me that the extra expectations of country members is becoming unsafe as their electorates continue to grow in size. Their ability to service their electorate is placing an unreasonable pressure on them as they try to please all. More solid consideration should be given to this problem before such huge changes are made that could have nasty future problems.

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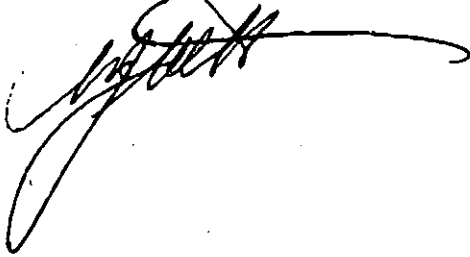
The committee has obviously opted for the easiest route, and should meet again to reconsider the imposts this proposed redistribution will have on the true remote west of NSW.

Perhaps thoughts in the vertical may be better than the horizontal.

Sometime **SIZE REALLY DOES MATTER.**

A worried voter.

MJ Wecker.

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