



The Federal Redistribution2008 Tasmania



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Dear Sirs,

I propose changes to electoral boundaries to make Lyons more cohesive and Franklin more integrated. At present, Lyons is what is left after allocating Braddon, Bass and Denison, while Franklin is a boomerang wrapped around Denison.

The logical basis I propose is to take the almost completed NEW Legislative Council electoral boundaries to comprise new Commonwealth House of Representatives and State House of Assembly boundaries, with the following outcome:

BRADDON comprised of Murchison, Montgomery, Mersey

LYONS comprised of Great Western Tiers, Rosevears, Derwent

BASS comprised of Launceston, Windermere, Apsley

FRANKLIN comprised of Rumney, Pembroke, Elwick

DENISON comprised of Hobart, Nelson, Huon.

Lyons becomes better balanced, Franklin more cohesive. All electorates, including Denison, have a mix of urban and rural areas, befitting Tasmania. All electorates have a logical interface to manage future population changes, eg Mersey, Launceston, Pembroke, Elwick, Nelson.

Administration would be streamlined if in future, Commonwealth and Legislative Council boundary changes were synchronized, made at the same time.

The new boundaries would reduce the parochial Tasmanian divides of north versus south, Launceston versus Hobart, greater Hobart versus the rest, through the southern reach of BASS via Apsley, FRANKLIN via Elwick, DENISON via Huon. LYONS becomes

central Tasmania, a manageable unifying core, instead of the sprawling left over mass, with no logic except what was left after creating four other electorates.

Since all five Federal electorates are now held by one party, there should not be grounds for political intervention and distortion of the logic of my proposals, the changes are counter-balancing in terms of party political impact.

Lyons, previously Wilmot, has been an anomaly since Federation. You now have a unique opportunity to fix it.

Yours truly,

Paul Fenton.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Fenton', with a horizontal line underneath.