



**THE FEDERAL
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Submission CS2

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Electoral Boundary Suggestions

I wish to make a personal submission to the Redistribution Committee for South Australia. I am not a member of any political party and have no interest in engineering a partisan outcome. My concern is solely with demographics and communities of interest.

General Comments

I have reviewed a number of submissions and found several to be excellent. I endorse the proposal put forward by Darren McSweeney, which aligns closely with many of the points I outline below.

Division of Spence

Spence is currently the most over-quota division and will need to contract. Since replacing the hybrid urban–rural division of Wakefield (2004–2016), Spence has increasingly resembled the former working-class outer suburban division of Bonython, with the notable addition of Gawler and adjacent rural areas.

As Spence continues to grow, it is appropriate that the division be focused on the industrial northern suburbs. Gawler itself is evolving into an outer suburban community rather than remaining the first country town outside Adelaide. I therefore recommend the removal of the small portions of the Barossa and Light LGAs currently within Spence, so that the division can function as a purely metropolitan seat, consistent with the character of the former Bonython.

Division of Makin

Makin is the most under-quota division and will need to expand. I recommend transferring parts of the Salisbury LGA from Spence into Makin to address the shortfall. However, I strongly object to any proposal that would remove areas of the City of Tea Tree Gully currently within Makin, as these communities are integral to the division and should remain.

Division of Hindmarsh

Hindmarsh is currently on quota, and I recommend that no changes be made.

Division of Mayo

Mayo is over quota and should first shed the suburbs of Aldinga and Sellicks Beach to Kingston. These beachside communities share stronger social and geographic ties with Kingston than with the Adelaide Hills, and their transfer would appropriately restore Kingston to the metropolitan boundary.

Divisions of Adelaide, Boothby, and Sturt

These three divisions require only minimal adjustments to meet quota. I endorse the suggestions made by Darren McSweeney in relation to these electorates.