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Details:

If the AEC are looking to readjust the boundaries in SA they need to also review the number of electors in each seat in the State. It is now seriously out of proportion with many of the other states given the various movements over the last decade.

As an example SA has 24% more voters per seat than the ACT even though SA is 500x the size in land making the seats of Grey and Barker difficult for the members to cover. But even with the other States SA has 11% more electors than WA and 8% more than Vic.

I know the AEC has to form a view around population growth but it seems increasingly unfair that SA's proportion is much higher even NSW and Qld are 5-6% higher.

By giving SA an extra seat or the one back we lost in 2019 would correct this anomaly where the variances are significantly lower either by making the HoR 151 seats again or possibly taking 1 seat from Victoria to make the distribution fairer again.
