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The Hervey Bay hospital should not be in the Maryborough electorate but stay in the Hervey Bay electorate. Health is a very important part of both electorates due to their ageing population and has been a political issue since the 1990's. Maryborough is very proud of its historical hospital and should remain a focal point for the community. Howard and Torbanlea have a long history with Maryborough and their close proximity to the city leads to many working in the industrial jobs associated with Maryborough like the rail industry. These two small towns have no association with the Burnett electorate and would be left feeling isolated from the community they belong. The majority of the children from the area complete their high school years in schools of the Maryborough area. It would be disingenuous to say these two towns would be championed or thrive in the Burnett electorate.