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Submission:

As constituents of the electorate of Hill, currently represented by Honourable Shane Knuth MP, we strongly oppose the removal of Hill in the proposed changing of electoral boundaries and also are opposed to increasing the number of electorates in Brisbane.

Far North Queensland is a vast area and an economic powerhouse of Australia, our region deserves ample representation and by removing the Hill Member of Parliament, it will further stretch the abilities of the sitting members who represent the North, precluding them from covering all of the regional areas that they represent.

Only those who live and work in the local area can appreciate the uniqueness and dynamic proclivities of representing Northern Queensland, why would anyone want to reduce the number of people who understand the economy and the people of the North? Surely our Premier can understand this, coming from Ingham?

The Hill Electorate is 19752 m2 and according to economy.id.com.au. Far North Qld provides \$19.8 Billion dollars in GRP (Gross Regional Product), whereas the electorate of Brisbane is 57 m2 and the whole of Brisbane provides \$167,990 Million GDP.

At almost 350 times the area of a Brisbane electorate, this is already an extensive area for the local representative to cover, compared to " a few blocks of houses" in a suburb of Brisbane, which provides nominal economic advantages in comparison.

Far North Queensland actually would benefit by increasing the number of electorates and members of parliament, considering the amount of wealth it provides to the country.

When you consider the resources within Northern Queensland, it more than carries its weight in keeping our economy healthy. From Fruit, Beef, Dairy, Mining, Cane, Natural Wonders and Tourism, we can not afford to under represent this valuable area of our state.

Please reconsider the removal of Hill from the Electoral Boundary Changes.

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