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Objection 29 (Ob29)

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We, Catherine and Josh Barnes, strongly oppose the proposed changes to the electoral boundaries of WA, in particular the loss of the seat of Moore of which is our own electorate.

We do not believe that the creation of the new, bigger electorate that merges Moore with other electorates will give a fair and appropriate representation of the country population within the parliament. This new model removes a country seat and gives another voice to the metropolitan population. We in the country are already under represented and this re-model shows complete lack of respect and value for the hard-working families, residents, workers and tax-payers who live in regional and remote WA and are the back bone of this state.

Country seats allow country people to be heard, to be represented and to ensure that our needs are not forgotten by the parliament. The needs of the people within the Moore electorate are not the same as those within the NorthWest Central so we do not think that this is an adequate or acceptable solution.

Leave the country seats as they are and reshuffle the city electoral boundaries and make them bigger but leave the regional and remote boundaries alone.

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Acknowledgement of Country: The Western Australian Electoral Commission acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the lands on which our electoral activities take place. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.