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Enter you comments, suggestions or objection here:	electorates. For Prosser the community interest of Sorell is distinctly different from that of the East Coast and Midlands - Sorell is a commuter suburb of Hobart with access to good facilities a short drive away. The regional areas are poorer with a dispersed population. For McIntyrere, Flinders Island and the North East will lose political representation and geographically are very different from those in the Meander Valley where travel times to facilities are shorter and many commute to metropolitan centres. As to the voters per electorate, a redistribution involving smaller adjustments to more electorates would be a fairer approach involving less disruption. The change also fails on all 4 of the secondary criteria. The North East physical features are distinctly different from the Meander Valley. Natural boundaries do not extend from Flinders Island to the North East and through to the Meander Valley. The proposed electorates are a significant change from existing boundaries. Travel and communication considerations similarly fail - especially as the population in the Meander region outweighs the distinctly different North East and Flinders region. Similarly, for Prosser the population centre of Sorell will see no representation for much of the East coast and North East. Voters living in regional areas are disenfranchised by the changes - lowering representatives to 1 from 2 that are not dominated by a major population centre. The proposed boundaries also cut across multiple local government boundaries.
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