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# Comment on suggestion 40

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## AEC NSW REDISTRIBUTION - ILLAWARRA REGION (CUNNINGHAM & WHITLAM)

I think the very suggestion made by several to move the Illawarra based seat of Cunningham north to include areas like Sutherland etc is deeply disrespectful to its history and regional boundaries. The people of the Illawarra have nothing in common with those living in the shire. I believe it is essential that Cunningham be kept in the Illawarra and that the extra areas that it needs to maintain quota be taken from the south of the electorate. Areas such as Berkeley, Cringila, and Lake Heights are very much connected to the neighbouring working class areas of Warrawong and Port Kembla, that are currently in Cunningham. It could even pick up Primbee and Windang if need be. Whitlam is a much higher growth area thus it being a good idea that Cunningham get a bigger portion of electors. Whitlam should take in the rest of the suburbs located to the east of the Hume Hwy as suggested by Jeff Waddell, Ben Last, and Damien Ferri. Areas such as Exeter, Bundanoon, Wingello etc should be given to Whitlam, and Hume should take in only those areas to the west of the Hume Hwy. Gilmore doesn't need any major changes. As a local this is the way that will ensure integrity is kept in place, rather than shifting boundaries to suit political agendas.

Thanks

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