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# Martin, David - Redistribution TAS - Submission on the proposed Tasmanian redistribution

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## Submission on the proposed Tasmanian redistribution details

**Category:** Names and Boundaries

**Details:** When I first heard about the proposed name change I thought that it was a 'typo' and would be corrected by the time I heard the news subsequently. This did not happen.

While I am in full agreement with the change of boundaries in Tasmania, I believe that the new names of the electorates of Franklin and Clark should be swapped. That is, Franklin should remain as the southern most electorate as it contains the town of Franklin. Both the electorate and the town were named after Governor Franklin (and his wife). I realise that Clark, a former Attorney-General of Tasmania and named in the voting system used in Tasmania, was Hobart centric and I believe would more easily be aligned with the eastern shore of Hobart and the east coast of Tasmania while Franklin is most definitely associated with the Huon Valley and southern Tasmania.

I realise that the AEC renaming would be strongly Hobart centric as it is already Clark and the eastern shore is already Franklin but I feel that the history of the state is more important in the long run.

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