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Dear Environment Canterbury

I strongly object to the proposal for Representation for the 2019 elections which I consider to be an unbalanced and anti-democratic proposal that greatly over represents rural voters and under represents urban voters.

The power of a vote in Central Christchurch is 40% less than a vote in South Canterbury. Fair representation is a critical pillar of democracy, guaranteed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 and the Local Electoral Act 2001.

This representation proposed is so unbalanced that it breaches section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act (the +/- 1-% rule) in four out of the seven constituencies.. Christchurch has had enough of their democratic rights removed by the previous governments with the removal of our elected official and now that they are now back it is an affront that again there is a move to undermine our democracy.

Regards

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