Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

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Topic: Second Electorate Office

Written Question on Notice

Senator Ronaldson asked:

What are the electorates that qualify for a second electorate office?

Answer:

Electorates over 30,000 km² in size qualify for a second official electorate office. These are:

Barker Leichhardt Calare Lingiari Capricornia Lyons Eden-Monaro Mallee Farrer Maranoa Flynn New England Gippsland O'Connor Grey Parkes Kalgoorlie Riverina Kennedy Wannon

With the exception of Calare, the Member for each of these electorates has a second official electorate office and a fifth Electorate Officer position. The redistribution of electorate boundaries at the 2007 election increased the size of Calare, qualifying it for a second official electorate office. The redistribution resulted in there being no established official electorate office within the new electorate. However, the Member for Calare, the Hon John Cobb MP, has since established an electorate office in Orange.