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AMENDMENT BILL**

 **Mr KATTER** (Mount Isa—KAP) (11.44 am), in reply: I first make the comment that these things are typically judged on substance over form, and we feel that the substance of this bill is significantly different or adequately different to that of the previous bill so that it can be reconsidered. As to the timing, I accept and acknowledge the arguments put forward by the Deputy Premier. But, on balance, obviously we feel that there is great impetus to have this resolved sooner rather than later.

It may be seen as an important interest in respect of Queensland to look after the timing, but we feel so far in this process that in rural and regional Queensland, particularly in those western areas, our interests have been forgotten. That gives impetus to having that time frame before that redistribution starts. That is where we see the importance. Obviously we have made it pretty clear to this parliament how important this is to us, which is why we feel so strongly about that time frame.