

**Submission
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HEALTH SERVICES AMENDMENT (SPLITTING OF THE HUNTER NEW ENGLAND HEALTH DISTRICT) BILL 2025

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I am in favour of the split between Hunter and New England. Hopefully having our own Healthcare district will attend more funding. The Hunter area has such a large component under its care and so funds were more likely to be directed there to meet demand, leaving the rural areas in need. Also healthcare teams, such as allied health, drive all the way from the Hunter and it would be more cost effective and expedient to have them based in the North New England area itself. Giving incentives to those healthcare workers to go out into rural areas would make it a more attractive proposition in securing enough staff.