

## **Key points of proposed LNP Qld Draft Constitution:**

- there will be an all powerful executive, made up of a President, a VP, the 7 Regional Chairmen, 6 Presidential appointees, Women's Council President, YLN President and a rep from each level of Government.
- the exec will have all real control including power to invalidate pre-selections, admit and expel members of the party without giving reason, total control over the day-to-day management of the party.
- this will be supplemented by a State Council that will have very little real power and will only meet twice a year - it is made up of the Exec, all elected reps, all honorary life members (heavily weighted in favour of the Nats) and FEC/SEC Chairmen - a body over 250 people.
- the State will be divided into 7 Regions, of which 5 are located in SEQ:(3 in Brisbane, Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast) they are unrepresentative with Northern and Western Regions comprised of just 18,000 people compared to 39,000 in the South East corner.
- the Nats will control a majority of the new regions and accordingly will overwhelmingly control the new Executive.
- unlike current arrangements, irrespective of what branch your a member of, people will be in the FEC and SEC according to where they reside...it would be impossible for someone to be an office bearer/delegate of an FEC other than where they reside.
- delegates to Convention will be based upon a rule of 5 delegates per SEC (with an additional delegate for each 250 members over 250)...so an SEC with 20 members will send the same number of delegates as an SEC with 250 members.
- this greatly diminishes the power of party branches, by taking away their right to elect delegates...branches will essentially become 'social clubs'.
- the so-called 'Grandfather' clause will mean that Senator Russell Trood, a great Liberal, will be relegated to the unwinnable fourth spot on the joint-Senate ticket.