Cyflwynwyd yr ymateb hwn i <u>ymgynghoriad y Pwyllgor Biliau Diwygio</u> ar <u>Fil Senedd</u> Cymru (Aelodau ac Etholiadau).

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SCME367 Ymateb gan: | Response from: Jane Stratton

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Dear Sir

I wish to convey my objections regarding the proposed increase in Senedd members.

In a country of than 4,000,000, we do not need more representatives. In a country where children are living in poverty, we do not need more Senedd members.

We are a struggling nation with all our NHS hospitals in special measures. Surely the proposed increase in Senedd members and therefore costs, like the huge cost of bringing in a blanket 20mph default speed limit across Wales, would be better spent on increasing services that we actually need? Education, social care and the NHS need more funding.

The proposed changes, I.e. voting for a closed group of people from a particular party excludes independent representation.

The proposed changes to the Senedd are therefore far too costly and totally democratic.

Yours faithfully

Jane Stratton

