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I am deeply concerned with the severe politicisation of the volunteer body by the Liberal party, and of the whole issue - again by the Liberals. I am NOT a member of the ALP and in fact there are some Ministers and ex Ministers I would not mind seeing retired for good. But neither do I accept the overt intrusion of party politics by Mr Guy and his team.

I have volunteered with the Victoria Police for some 27 years. Had I put the same effort into the SES or St John's Ambulance I would have one National Medal with bar by now, my point being I have long service and loyalty. Heading Police Community Consultative Committees, being deeply involved with NHW and as a JP is several police stations amongst much more. [I should add that I did receive the state's highest civilian award for Crime Prevention - from then Minister and Dep Premier McNamara.] Yet NEVER EVER has the police union done what Mr Guy wrongly alleges the MFB Union has done or would do. I have never been threatened, intimidated, abused etc etc and I do NOT believe that the Firies Union would do so to volunteers. From what I have read, the plan laid out by the goivt is the very best solution to finally resolve and professionally restructure services crucial to the people of our state.

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