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To:	LCSC
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My name is STAN GILES. And the Dandenong ranges. I have personally experienced Bush Fires many times, and am on alert any time I smell the slightest whiff of smoke. I also have been the Bank Manager to many who lost their homes in Cockatoo and Emerald area so I can personally attest to the devastation that comes with these tragedies.

I wish to lodge my protest to the proposed changes affecting the CFA by Daniel Andrews government

The community based volunteer organization is a <u>required institution</u> to protect us as we are in one of the worlds most fire prone areas. You cannot buy the spirit that drives these volunteers to risk their lives for us, when many times their own homes and families are under threat.

Mr. Merlino is a disgrace as my local member, and is running scared from the back lash from the locals who he has sold out. These CFA know the areas like the back of their hands, the back roads, the water sources, the safe roads, the chances of wind change, the escape roads and a lot of the people they are saving.

There will be blood on Merlino's hands if he is allowed to bully the CFA out of this picture. The union are thugs, and they are incapable of replacing the CFA both in number, knowledge and dedication.

Stan GILES

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