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Daniel Andrews pledged to govern for ALL Victorians when he was elected, not just those in the CBD and suburbs.

In his treatment of the CFA, he has abandoned that pledge. Our outer regions and country areas of Victoria are now at risk of bushfire, and as we saw on Black Saturday, that risk is real.

Do the people of these areas not deserve the same safety and security as those in the city, or do we deserve to be second class citizens of our state?

Daniel Andrews should remember that as well as our fire-fighting volunteers and supporters, our communities have contributed a great deal of money over the years to supplying and supporting our local fire crews by fund raising. The community will not be happy when they are not served by a guaranteed fire service after their many years of support.

Living on the fringe of the suburbs is worrying enough in summertime, without the added fear of fire-fighting services in turmoil. The committee can fix this with the assistance of government, and we appeal for this to happen.

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