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To: LCSC
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Michelle McDonald
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to request the the current Fire Reform being put forward by the Victorian Government be adopted.

I have been concerned now for many years regarding the response times for all Emergency Services in my Outer Metro Suburb of Wyndham, but now that my knowledge is enhanced due to the current CFA dispute, I am now disgusted by the response I get for the Fire Service Levy that I pay.

Until I had researched the current CFA dispute in detail, I had no idea how unreliable a response from the fire service in an emergency situation was for a highly populated growth area such as Wyndham, it shocked me.

I was under the impression that if I made a 000 call help would be here in minuets but it turns out a response was not even guaranteed and this scares me and my family.

I am surrounded by 3 Volunteer Brigades and 1 Professional/Full Time Brigade and in my investigations have discovered that the Full Time Brigade has only 1 truck with 3 men on it and they can't rely on the Volunteer Brigade for support, especially during week days in normal working hours.

I respect the work and effort Volunteers make but I expect the safety of Fire Fighters who often put their selves at risk to help others to be paramount. I also expect that an area as big and as populated as Wyndham be protected by a quick responding, guaranteed emergency response brigade and I believe the proposed Fire Rescue Victoria will provide this.

I once again reiterate that I can not believe that high growth area as populated as Wyndham would rely on normal working people to be available 24/7 to assist its own in emergencies like fire, road crashes and rescue.

Please Support the proposed Fire Reform.

Regards,

Michelle McDonald