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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for taking the time to consider my submission today. I'll keep it short, as I'm sure you've got a few to get through.

My name is Briody Walker and I am a Leading Firefighter with the CFA. I have been in the CFA for over 5.5 years. I am currently stationed at Dandenong, but have spent the majority of my career stationed in District 7, Geelong.

During my time at both Dandenong and Geelong I have seen first hand many times where assignment areas have restricted the response of career staff nearby. These assignment areas are often dictated by volunteer brigades & do not serve the community effectively or safely.

I encourage you to look into how much more efficient and effective career firefighters could be if we were all trained the same and had the same operating systems. This would not only be good for firefighters, it would be a great outcome for Victorian communities.

I truly believe that Volunteers are pushed too hard in their roles. The CFA expects far too much from them for nothing.

Victorian communities, especially in the urban fringe deserve a professional fire service that can cope with their needs. Reform will deliver this.

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