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Sent: Monday, 3 July 2017 3:09 PM

To: LCSC

Subject: fire services reform

Dear Assistant Clerk Committees,

I am a level 3 career firefighters for the Country Fire Authority. I operate out of South Warrandyte Fire Station and have been with CFA for over 6 years.

I live in Christmas Hills and have worked at a number of fire stations around the state during my time at CFA.

I am writing this submission in total support for the proposed reform of the fire services for the following reasons:

- * following world's best practice it is vital that there are a number of capable and well trained professional firefighters on the fireground. Our safety as well as our effectiveness to provide a service to our community totally depends on it.
- * the state of Victoria has changed dramatically over the decades since last reform and its about time this is appropriately reflected by our fire services model. It is simply incorrect to refer to many places such as Springvale, Dandenong etc as "country".
- * the current industrial climate with volunteers having a say on my working condition is an over-reach which needs to be addressed. It is morally wrong.

Yours sincerely,

Sam Dash