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**To:** LCSC  
**Subject:** Inquiry Submission

Dear Assistant Clerk Committees

**INQUIRY INTO THE FIREFIGHTERS' PRESUMPTIVE RIGHTS COMPENSATION AND FIRE SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (REFORM) BILL 2017**

I am Leading Fire Fighter Daniel Carlesi. I have currently been employed by the MFESB for 6 years and have a specialist qualification in Heavy Rescue.

I live in Preston and work in Bundoora.

I'm also involved in the Army Reserves and have been involved with that for 15 years.

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

The state government has imposed a fire service levy. A levy, for a professional fire service. However, parts of Epping, South Morang and Mernda are still receiving a second class service because their stations are manned only by volunteer brigades. The suburbs mentioned above are established and evolving (meaning they are highly populated and growth is increasing). For this reason I am voting in favour of the merge and for the boundaries to be moved. In addition, this will allow our firefighters to extend our EMR services into these suburbs. Currently, an EMR service is not offered by volunteer firefighters. With our ambulance services already suffering under copious amounts of pressure, this leaves the communities unable to access these life saving EMR services offered by career firefighters. Surely this is reason enough to merge and move the boundaries, creating a safer and more unified service for all.

Yours sincerely,  
Daniel Carlesi

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