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Dear Assistant Clerk Committees

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

I am a Career Firefighter with the Country Fire Authority having starting in the job on August 2016.

I currently live in Doveton and work at South Warrandyte Fire Brigade.

I have also volunteered in my community within the State Emergency Service in Dandenong since August 2011.

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

As a new firefighter, I support the guaranteed two truck response with at least 7 firefighters dispatched within 8 minutes. This provides reassurance to me when on the fire ground, that another crew will be also at the scene in a timely manner to assist in any type of incident we may come across. Though I have only been in the job for a short period of time, there have been instances where I have felt the un ease of situations when either a brigade have failed to respond or crew on an appliance have been unable to complete tasks that may be asked of myself or my colleges.

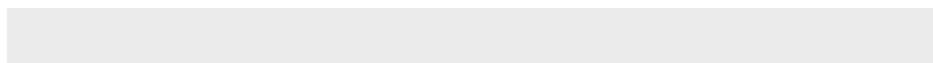
Having two trucks response with at least 7 firefighters within 8 minutes provides a greater capability towards the safety of the community and the firefighters. The ability to guarantee 7 firefighters on scene at an incident allows for instances where firefighters will be capable to perform their duties to the fullest without risk of safety to the community and themselves. It ensures there are enough on scene to manage the incident, maintain safety and conduct operations.

I wish for this submission to be treated as confidential.

Yours sincerely,



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