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Attention the Fire Services Bill Select Committee.

Dear, Members

I would like to take this opportunity to convey my anger and express my concerns at what is happening to the CFA. In my opinion, it seems that Daniel Andrews and Peter Marshall are hell bent on destroying not only the CFA and its tradition of Volunteers but also the MFB.

No previous inquiry has suggested we be disbanded so why now? Why were respected serving personnel who raised and voiced concerns sacked or forced out by the Andrews Government? It seems they were replaced with people who would not rock the boat. Is this a way of bypassing the Fair Work Commission ruling regarding the EBA and the Government having to consult with the VFBV? There are just too many questions that are unanswered and with no consultation taking place with the VFBV, it appears to be all under handed and suspicious.

Also I would like to voice my disgust and concern at the Daniel Andrews Government, and in the way they and the Peter Marshall union are conveying to the public that CFA Volunteers are not Professionally Trained Fire fighters. We do not take it lightly that we are being referred to as unprofessional. I and my fellow members are just as professional as any paid fire fighter in our commitment to the CFA and the protection and support of public life and property.

Another proposal to include the cancer component in the same bill is also in my opinion an under handed approach. This should be and has been all along until now a separate piece of legislation.

I would dearly appreciate an honest answer from you regarding the above concerns along with a request you reject the bill until an appropriate review be undertaken in an open discussion with the relevant parties concerned. Thank you for your time in considering this letter.

Kind regards,

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