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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 5 July 2017 6:21 PM
To: LCSC
Subject: Inquiry into the firefighters presumptive rights compensation and fire services legislation amendment (Reform) bill 2017

Dear Assistant Clerk Committees,

Firstly I would request that my name and other personal details to remain confidential.

My name is [REDACTED] and I have worked as a firefighter (currently leading firefighter) for the MFB for the last 12 years.

I live with my family in the City of Whitehorse and currently work out of Balwyn Nth. Fire Station.

Emergency response for me is all about getting a guaranteed response to what is often a life threatening situation, In many highly populated urban areas this simply does not happen, It doesn't matter who responds, as long as there is a given number of responders within a certain time. Surely this is what all people would want for themselves and their family and friends.

The current outdated Metropolitan map and design for emergency response needs updating urgently, and the reform proposed by the means of Fire Rescue Victoria will give such a guarantee.

In relation to the the presumptive rights legislation, I would like to think that this should be a simple case of agreeing to such a law. There are numerous studies to outline how firefighters, career and volunteer, have a much higher risk of contracting cancer and other related diseases due to the exposure we receive when responding to emergencies.

Kind regards

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