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To: LCSC
Subject: FW: Fire service reforms

My name is Darryl Rainbow and I am a firefighter with the MFB stationed in Heidelberg. I write to express my support for the proposed fire services reform.

As I am sure you are now aware, Victoria’s fire services boundaries have not changed significantly in 60 years. Under this outdated system, 35 areas are wrongly zoned as ‘country’, despite being heavily urbanised and residential. Frankston, Cranbourne, Dandenong, Craigieburn, Melton, Springvale, Boronia and Geelong are just some of the 35 ‘country areas’.

These reforms mean all Victorian, professional and volunteer firefighters, will get a modern fire service that meet the needs of our growing communities.

Please seriously consider your support for the proposed fire services reform.

Reform of our fire services will ensure the safety of your constituents, and all communities in our growing state. Additionally, it will ensure the safety of our firefighters and stop the ever increasing and unrealistic demand being placed on volunteer firefighters because of the enormous urban growth resulting in increased emergency calls.

I also respectfully submit that you give consideration to my request to modernise the fire service along with the introduction of presumptive legislation laws to protect fire service employees. Both are needed to be endorsed and implemented by Parliament before the commencement of the fire season. This is important to me and my colleagues.

I would enjoy the opportunity to meet with you if you required further perspective on these matters.

Yours sincerely,
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