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

Dear Assistance Clerk Committees,

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

I, LFF Claire Healy have worked for the CFA for 12 years, 10 as a Staff member and 2 as a volunteer. I am currently qualified in several different pumps, tankers, pumper tankers, 42 m Bronto, Rescue, confined space rescue, steep angle rescue and ground observer. I have obtained my 10 year service award.

I live in Yackandandah and work at Wodonga Fire Station.

Although not currently I have volunteered in my community of Nar Nar Goon and Drysdale for a period of 6 years total.

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

- The reform will benefit volunteers as it includes a package to assist with volunteer recruitment and retention across the CFA, and includes funding for much needed station upgrades.
- By separating out the volunteers and paid staff it will allow for easier management, administratively and practically of paid staff without any impact on volunteers.
- Currently at Wodonga we have 4 staff on the pump at any one time. This means that for support we rely on volunteers. We do not know how many if any volunteers are going to turn out from job to job, by separating the fire services we would be also to clearly see that there is a lack of numbers on the fire ground therefore opening an opportunity to recruit, and thus making the standards safer.
- This would also work to enhance the safety of the volunteers around this brigade. By having more staff members would allow for further supporting areas and therefore being able to enhance skills for all fire fighters across the area.

Yours Sincerely,

Claire Healy



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