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To: LCSC
Subject: Proposed Firefighters Presumptive Rights Compensation and Fire Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2017

The Honourable James Merlino MP
Minister for Emergency Services
1 Treasury Place
Melbourne Vic 3002

Dear Minister,

I am writing to express my concern about the Proposed Firefighters Presumptive Rights Compensation and Fire Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2017.

As a member of the CFA for over 20 years I have seen the great work which volunteers do to keep the community safe.

This bill will undermine the morale of volunteers which have proven to do a great job over many decades and we can ill afford to have members leave the CFA as our numbers are few enough as it is. I see no reason to change something which has proven to work well in protecting communities for a very long time.

I would call on the Andrew's Government to consult with CFA management and volunteers and cease the introduction of this bill to reach a better outcome for all parties especially the communities we protect.

Respectfully Yours
Matthew Russell
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