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To whom it may concern,

Please find attached my submission to the Fire Service Bill Select Committee .

Kind Regards

Cameron Colliver

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5th July 2017

Dear Fire Services Bill Select Committee Members

I am currently employed by the MFB as a Firefighter and work at Ringwood Fire Station. I am also resident of Mooroolbark in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne. I support the proposed Fire Services Bill and much needed reform.

Melbourne's urbanization has changed dramatically over the past 40 years. The concept of Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV) is overdue and will offer a safer community and workplace for our Firefighters. The reforms take into account the needs of our city and its expansion.

FRV is offering Victoria a modern Fire Service which will provide a better service to our expanding suburbs. Volunteer Firefighters roles are very much required and respected in country areas. I believe there will be no change to the CFA volunteers due to the Fire Services Reform in these areas.

The suburb I reside in is serviced by Mooroolbark CFA Station and is entirely volunteer crewed. Mooroolbark and surrounding areas have grown dramatically in population and built environment and therefore I believe require professional fire fighter response. I also note that I pay a higher Fire Service Levy to those who live in suburbs protected by MFB Firefighters who receive faster response times as well as Emergency Medical Response Service. I believe this response and service should be available to not only my family but all families in and around areas of Melbourne that are now highly populated.

I encourage the Select Committee Members to endorse the Fire Services Reform and thank you for the opportunity to be heard.

Yours Sincerely
Cameron Colliver
MFB Fire Fighter

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