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

Dear Assistant Clerk Committees

I am writing this submission in support of the proposed reform of
the fire services

My name is Steven Kemper

I am a Leading Firefighter with the Metropolitan Fire Brigade with a Length of service of 11 years.

I live in Dingley Village and work at the Ormond Fire Station.

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

I currently reside with my wife and children just outside the Metropolitan Fire District and in the event
of an emergency the two closest responding stations are the Springvale CFA which has career staff and
the Keysborough CFA which is voluntary. As a result of the extremely high turn out failure rate of the
Keysborough CFA an additional appliance turnout has recently been enacted (MFB Mentone appliance)
. Growing up in a rural area I understand the importance of a volunteer fire brigades however where I
live is not rural or isolated it is a highly populated urban area and I and my family deserves the same
level of protection and response as those families whom live less than 5 minutes closer to the city.
Therefore I now count my family and community as very fortunate to have adequate Safety and
protection and fully support the reform changes that will assist other urban areas to have adequate
community safety and protection.

Yours sincerely,

Steven Kemper

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