Submission to the Fire Services Bill Select Committee

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I am extremely dissappinted with the State Governments lack of clarity in regards to splitting the CFA. There is no rym or reason as to why the Andrews government would take this backhanded approach besides placating his union mates.

It first started with the sacking of the board, Ceo and Chief due to the EBA and trying to get that through for the Union.

Now to recommend splitting the CFA from its years of successful integration seems very short sighted, not only is it disefranchinsing volunteers from integrated stations it is putting additional pressure on supporting brigades. Once again lack of foresight and consultaion.

There will be a drop in volunteer numbers if this is allowed to proceed without the right checks and balances in place. The State government has already made it difficult for staff and volunteers at every integrated brigade in spite of the media and government beating up we are all getting along famously.

I have been Captain for 2 and half years at Rye and a member for 15 years it is a disgace the way the State government has dealt with the CFA and is an insult to myself and fellow volunteers.

Regards

