

Disaster Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear sir, madam

The new bill regarding the fire services Queensland does not do the Rural Fire Service justice, The rural fire service protects over 90% of the state and needs to be independent with its own commissioner and own budget with good cooperation with QFS.

Independent means our own budget so we will not be a closing item in every budget.

A separate budget is necessary to organise adequate training and equipment.

Already in the current QFES the rural fire service is underfunded and there are no guarantees in the new Bill to correct that.

Please amend the bill to get rid of the dependence of the Rural Fire Service on the QFS.

Sincerely yours

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