

E.G. CRAWFORD

27/7/15.

Chairperson,
Finance and Administrative Committee,
Dear Madam,
I am currently the elected
chairman of the Winfield Rural Fire
Brigade which is of course a totally
volunteer organisation.

In the matter of 'Inquiring into the
Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation
and Other Legislation Amendment Bill
2015 and Workers' Compensation and
Rehabilitation (Protecting Firefighters)
Amendment Bill 2015', I would draw your
attention to the following -

① I am appalled at the hugely
discriminatory nature of the proposal that
uniformed paid firefighters are eligible for
compensation after having been to one fire but
volunteers have to have attended 150 fires or
fire related events over a period of 5 years.

② I am very annoyed at the hypocrisy
shown by government leaving and handing
the outstanding job done by totally
volunteer firefighters yet falling at the
first hurdle when it comes to backing up
what are only words with a modicum of
solid action in a financial sense.

③ In light of the above I much prefer the
South Australian model to the Tasmanian
model.

Yours Sincerely

E.G. CRAWFORD