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MEDIA RELEASE

FIRE SERVICES LEVY OPTIONS

The Member for Benambra, Bill Tilley is reminding all locals not to forget to have their say on the Fire Services Levy Option.

Mr Tilley said “Victorians have spoken, saying they want the opportunity to discuss the inequity of the current Fire Service Levy system.”

The deadline for written submissions is getting closer and those that haven’t had their say need to think about what they want to say and submit it.

Mr Tilley is pleased that the Department of Treasury & Finance has already received submissions but is well aware that the outcome of this consultative process will affect thousands of Victorians.

‘As promised, the Coalition State Government is providing Victorians the opportunity to contribute to legislation that will affect the nature of the Fire Service Levy, whether it remains the same, becomes a property base levy, or any other of the options suggested on the options paper or in submissions.

A download of the Victorian Fire Services Levy Option Paper can be obtained at www.dtf.vic.gov.au and follow the links through to the paper.

Submissions must be in the Hands of the Treasury & Finance Department by close of business on 30 September 2011.

The can be emailed to fireservicesproject@dtf.vic.gov.au or by post to Fire Services Project Department of Finance and Treasury 1 Treasury Place Melbourne Vic 3002

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