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EMERGENCY SERVICES FUNDING REFORM

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I would just like the make sure that the committee does not force people to pay more. We have always been insured and always paid it, however, we should not pay more just because our land value has increased over time.

This was totally out of our control and have always paid our way, but should no pay more simply because it is deemed our land value is higher, so we can pay more. Not true. We are retired and bought our house 20 years ago. Just because the house has risen in value, our capacity to pay more has not.

Our income has not increased, in our case, it is reduced due to retirement. We would not quality for a pensioner discount, but still are not affluent or rich by any means.

Land value is not a way to assess people's ability to pay highter costs.

Hello. I would like to add a further submission. I have checked our insurance with GIO, and we currently pay $133.00 fire levy. This is no where like what you are proposing. As previously mentioned, land value does not equate to an occupier's ability to pay increased costs. You have no idea on the financial situation of each person in their home. Not all are rich or have lots of funds available. Long term owner's situations have changed over time and also the land has increased without the income of a household increasing.

The price of living has gone through the roof, as you are no doubt aware.

Thank you.

Kim Williams.