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## Submission to the Inquiry into the Fair Work Amendment (Small Business-Penalty Rates Exemption) Bill 2012

I am a permanent employee, working as a croupier, currently earning around 23.50 per hour.

i am a full time employee at The Star Casino. I do not have a family but I do have a loan. I am part responsible of bills and needs such as food and clothes

If penalty rates were abolished it would put a major dent in my whole workplace. Majority of people i know live off the penalty rates and if that was taken peoples lives would be changed for the worse

My weekends are important to me because it is the ony time i get to spend with my family. My entire family work in the hospitality industry and the weekends are the only time we get to spend together. Also i play sport and i would not be able to do the things

i love because of work

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

Submitted by

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