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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 registered nurse, currently earning around 30 per hour.

I have a family and mortgage.

If penalty rates were abolished I would be missing out on anywhenre from \$500-1000 a forthnight as I work on the weekends, afternoon shifts and night duty and overtime..

My weekends are important to me because I get payed extra I have to miss out on spending time with friends, family, miss out on events birthdays, do not get to spend time with the family on Christmas and other holidays.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. Who would want to work on holidays, work

weekends and night shifts, instead miss out on spending time with the family??

Submitted by

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