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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 ADMIN OFFICER, currently earning around 45,000 per year.

My wife and I have a mortgage.

If penalty rates were abolished people would be working unreasonable hours for the same as someone who worked more convenient hours.

My weekends are important to me because I need a break to undertake fitness activities, socialise and do jobs around the house.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. People who work weekends deserve extra pay. If you do away with penalty rates you should also legislate to close all shops and

businesses on the weekend as well.

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