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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 30.00 per hour.

i have a mortgage and a handicapped brother to support

If penalty rates were abolished... i would struggle to maintain my current lifestyle and care for my brother on top of working

My weekends are important to me because...the small extra allowane paid for weekend shifts goes a long way

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. or nurses and in turn patients will suffer and we are all voters.Remember you work for the people not the other way around,or has democracy changed that much.

Submitted by john french Tuesday 25th of September 2012