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

I am a employee, working as a government employee, currently earning around \$30 per hour.

I am a married man approaching retirement and all children have left home which is paid for.

As most weekend and part time workers I know would not be able to survive if penalty rates were abolished.

The weekends are important to me as it is a time that the family can catch up

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

Submitted by

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