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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 stevedore , currently earning around 62.00 per hour.

I work as a stevedore at port Botany and i have a family a Mortgage and a teenager finishing high school and going off to university

If penalty rates were abolished...I would not want to work shift work anymore or weekends Id have to reaccess my financia l situation as i dont think id be able to continue the way i am at the moment it would just be to much stress

My weekends are important to me because...this is when i make money when rostered to work and when not rostered i like to spend it with my family

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.as if they go it will affect alot of peoples

lives

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