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Saturday and Sunday are NOT like any other work day and there should be penalty rates to commensate people who work these days - often working weekends is NOT a choice.

I know many people who get paid very little, who work weekends to supplement their wage and living expenses, using the penalty rates. And if you're employed on a casual basis you already miss out on standard of living additions such as holiday & sick leave etc.

Senator Xenophon's proposal suits business interests so they can gorge more profits but it is not fair to workers nor the 'health' of our society.

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