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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 nuurse, currently earning around \$@# per hour.

I work shift work, have a farm that i own, and like my horse sports, which are mostly of a weekend

If penalty rates were abolished... i would NOT work weekends at all much rather go to horse shows and campdrafts without having to request weekends'. if there is NO penalty rates there is no incentative to give up your lifestyle

My weekends are important to me because...i like my horse sports, and time with my family and friends, no penalty rates , then no NURSES

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.OTHERWISE HOSPITALS WILL HAVE NO STAFF, WHY WORK WEEKENDS WITH NO PENALTY RATES, WHY WORK ALL NIGHT EITHER,,, SLEEP IS MUCH BETTER FOR YOU AT NIGHT,, WELL I SUPPOSE THE POLITICIANS CAN LOOK AFTER THE SICK WHILST THE NURSES ENJOY THEIR FAMILIES, ME IM GOING TO STAY AT HOME IF THERE IS NO PENALTY RATES, in other words get a life polititians and open your eyes to the real world,,,HOPE YOU DONT GET SICK OF A WEEKEND OR NIGHT and need a nurse, there wont be any, they will be all enjoying their famillies for once

Submitted by christine lee Friday 28th of September 2012