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to the Senate Committee inquiry into weekend penalty rates.

I donot believe that weekend penalty rates should be abolished or diminished.

The basic working week has not changed it is still mon-fri and most sport and other social activities occur on weekends. eg NRL; AFL are all played from friday night to Sunday, with NRL having a match sometimes on a monday night. But all the finals are on weekend.

So those having to work on weekends are unable to attend such events and therefore should be compensated.

Even parliament does not sit on weekends and politicians are able to attend weekend sporting features.

So I say keep weekend penalty rates and don't allow those working on weekends to be

financially bankrupt and at the same time having to miss out on their sporting pleasures!

Regards
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