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

I am a casual employee, working as a Flute Teacher, currently earning around 40 per hour.

I am a single woman who gets some income from centrelink and some income from part time work.

If penalty rates were abolished... Many people I know would be severely disadvantaged. Retail, hospitality and casual workers are some of the lowest paid workers, and in most need of govt support. Please protect them!

My weekends are important to me because... I am able to go to church and visit people. I am able to relax and have fun.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. It is a bench mark of our society that we treat our workers fairly. Please keep our working conditions fair.

Submitted by

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