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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 receptionist, currently earning around 20.00 per hour.

I have 2 small children, a mortgage and I am trying to study to get further qualification.

If penalty rates were abolished... there would be little for me to gain working outside the home.

My weekends are important to me because...I can take my children to church (sunday school), we can connect as a family, visit ageing relative and get ready for the working/school week.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

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