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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 Midwife, currently earning around 34 per hour.

I have been working in the health industry for 38 years and work a rotating roster I don't choose to work weekends or nights but it is part of the job I believe we all should be compensated for missing out on Christmas family gatherings birthday celebrations etc if we lose penalties I believe many workers will look for other employment

If penalty rates were abolished... My salary could be reduced as much as 200-300 per fortnight

My weekends are important to me because...as above I've missed out on so many

events over the years

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

Submitted by

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