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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 NURSE, currently earning around 19 per hour.

I am single.

If penalty rates were abolished my income would drop significantly.

My weekends are important to me because...I have missed special events due to my roster but family understand that .

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. Our forebears worked very hard for us to have the working conditions we have now. If you work on weekends it only makes sense that you should get penalty rates.

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