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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 registered nurse, currently earning around 38 per hour.

I have a mortgage. I work weekends to afford my mortgage.

If penalty rates were abolished... 20%

My weekends are important to me because...

Working night shift is shown to reduce your life span. It is abnormal to be awake through out the night. Missing out on weekends with my family to pay for the mortgage - one should be compensated for this.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

I will research everyone evolved with this & I will not be voting for any person supporting this.

Submitted by

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