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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 32 per hour.

I have several dependent (eldly relative ) that I contribute financially to there care. I need the extra penalities to enable me to continue to live in and contribute to my family

If penalty rates were abolished... I would leave nursing

My weekends are important to me because...I need to work weekends to earn a decent wage to cope with the cost of living in

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

Submitted by bronwyn mascord Thursday 27th of September 2012