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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 Public Servant in Qld, currently earning around 41 cents per hour.

I work full time.

If penalty rates were abolished there would never be any down time. At least now, presumably those who must work weekends are compensated somewhat.

My weekends are important to me because this is my time to recover and do things for myself and with friends.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. Life is too short to not recognise days off.

Submitted by

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