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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 comms tech, currently earning around \$25 per hour.

single income family two children trying to pay off a mortgage

If penalty rates were abolished... we struggle to pay bills as unfortunatley we rely on overtime to get us thru

My weekends are important to me because...the days I do take off my family and I spend quality time together church sports picnics family stuff Ive missed out on plenty off my kids events because Ive been working

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. Times are tough enough without taking the

little cream we get from working o/t kids dont see there parents enough without employees taking advatage of them by making them work weekends for the same rate

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