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Submission to the Inquiry into the Fair Work Amendment (Small Business-Penalty Rates Exemption) Bill 2012

I am a casual employee, working as a 40, currently earning around 24 per hour.

I am married with a mortgage.

If penalty rates were abolished... I would have to work weekends for \$24 an hour as a casual.

My weekends are important to me because...I worked weekends as a bus driver for 15 years and missed out on my kids growing up.it hurts but that's how we had to live.

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. So my kids can at least keep the weekends to spend with there kids.

Submitted by

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