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I am a casual employee, working as a Security Guard, currently earning around 22.00 per hour.

I have a Family and a mortgage with the price of power going up and the cost of living its hard enough

I am a casual worker on a disability support pension when I work a Saturday or Sunday I receive a little bit more in my pay to help pay bills and get some more food for the week we at the moment stretch \$200 to feed 7 sometimes 9 people in our family a week

the weekends with work are important because it helps us if the penalty rates are taken away it would make it difficult because I only work some times

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.

Submitted by

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