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I am a permanent employee, working as a fitter, currently earning around 35 per hour.

i have two young children and a wife who i have look after and pay a mortgage in excess of 500k and i am purchasing 2 investment properties for my super (children's future) which is a debt that is in excess of 1000k all up

If penalty rates were abolished... i will have to sell all of my long term investments and principal place of residents to survive, i am a shift worker who works away from my family for 6 mnths of the year this will mean i may only ever see half of my children grow up.

My weekends are important to me because...i only have 2 per month with my family

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates.because australian industry needs to share there wealth with the little people who are trying to keep this country afloat you need to look at productivity not giving the wealth of this nation to big buisness for them to squander over. reduce taxes for overtime that will increase productivity and create spending by putting money in the pockets of these people to afford a few dollars to spoil there loved ones now and then, this will in turn increase retail spending. this is what would increase this countries prosperity, not suppressing the little people.

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