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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 materials controller, currently earning around 35 per hour.

I've nearly paid off my mortgage. I earn a good wage now in the mining construction industry. 10 years ago I was a low income earner earning 25000 a year. I've been on both sides of the fence.

If penalty rates were abolished... it is not fair to cut the take home pay of low paid workers. You don't get willing productive workers by cutting their pay. You never get a politician getting a pay cut.

My weekends are important to me because...working for socialising and fun

I urge the committee to keep penalty rates. you will lose alot of workers from retail.
senator zenophone i hope u lose you seat, at the next election just like john howard
did. your taking away the aussie value of a fair go

Submitted by

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