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I am a boilermaker and have been since 1998 weekends are my time to wind down, relax and forget about the stresses of work life also to catch up and enjoy time with friends and family. I spend more time of my life awake with work and work colleges than I do with my own family, but if the boss needs me to come in after hours to perform a job and take that time away from my partner and children, hobby's or friends then I should be compensated for it, I'm not on a high salary where overtime has been facted into my wage I am on an hourly rate, to do overtime is taking away part of my life delegated to what I want to do not what my boss wants of me and if he/she wants to erode some of my short weekly free time then they should be prepared to compensate me and my family for it, it's as simple as that, to ask for anything less is completely third rate and I am totally apauled to think that a politician who is well compensated for by us the taxpayer, who has no say in their financial outcome is willing to lay down the law and dictate what we should get paid on our time of leisure. It

really is disappointing

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