From:

Education, Employment and Small Business Committee

**Subject:** Enquiry into Wage Theft

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## **Dear Committee Members**

I believe a subtle form of wage theft is occurring in major retail companies by the classification of employees. By encouraging workers to give up award positions and move to a 'higher position " on salary and on contract.

The terms state hours are 40 hours per week or additional when required, however when required often becomes the norm and employees find themselves working up to 50 - 60 hours per week. The same goes with working public holidays, the loss in penalties and overtime rates means an effective pay cut has occurred by taking the higher position. I think this needs to be addressed.

Yours sincerely

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