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Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2005 6:53 PM
To: Committee, FHS (REPS)
Subject: **Fw: message from carol in perth regarding conversation on declining work environment**

hello,

I would like to forward this email which was sent to Jenny Chalmers in response to her article "Part-time/Casual workers doing it tough", that was advertised in The West Australian Perth newspaper on 28/4/05. As a mature aged married worker it is a very stressful plus tiring working environment that us part-time workers are placed in with no relief unless we leave. As we are the supporting income until our children leave school and go onto work, things will not change for quite sometime even after they leave school due to many juniors being forced to take on more than one casual job to survive.

I hope this info reaches people who will take an interest and make some changes for all of us.

Carol.

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From: carola
Date: 04/29/05 21:48:25
To: jenny.chalmers@rmit.edu.au
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Hi jenny,

thanks for phoning today, I gather all my information was of help but an awful lot to digest. Basically too much is required of part-time/casual workers today with no increase in our hours when we ask for them. Plus when staff leave it is a worry with them not being replaced with their workload absorbed into other staff routines nearby or if they are replaced the new staff member comes in on less hours. Yes it is a worry for school leavers who have to take on 2 if not 3 jobs with different employers on casual rosters as no full time work is offered these days. When you have teenage children the burden is shifted on to us parents so with one parent employed on minimal hours it certainly leaves a lot of stress to add to our very busy lives away from work. I would love to hear where you are going to forward this info on to as someone has to take notice plus accept the working environment is not acceptable. Would John Howard view it? Probably not care if he did!

thanks
carol.