

INQUIRY INTO NSW WORKERS COMPENSATION SCHEME

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I am putting in this submission to voice our business's concern about the increase in Workers Compensation. We own a small family business that is 119 years old. Times have been tough over the last 10 to 15 years as we have suffered through drought. Now we are facing real concern over the Murray Darling Basin (they are trying to take our farmers water). Our business is right in the middle of an irrigation district. Also the carbon tax is of concern. The cost's of running a business are getting higher and higher. I don't know how much longer small to medium business will be able to survive. Putting up Workers Comp by 28% will most certainly push alot of businesses to lay off employees or close their shops. Maybe Workers Comp should make people pay back the money the get when they are found to be in the wrong. A lot of people get paid, when there is nothing wrong with them, but they seem to get away with it at our cost.