

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO NSW WORKERS COMPENSATION SCHEME

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If Workers compensation Premium rates are increased by 28% this will force many Labour Hire companies out of business as they will not be able to absorb or pass on such huge increases. Work Health and safety laws are being brought into line across all Australian States, the same should be done for Workers compensation Premium rates as well, as it is ridiculous to have different pay out entitlement rates and benefit for injured workers from which in turn is shown in the Workers Compensation Premium rates from State to State.

New South Wales already pays more in Workers Compensation Premium rates than any other state. I propose that a % levy be placed on every tax payer (similar to the Medicare Levy and flood levy) I believe that this would also encourage more people to be more responsible for their own safety in the workplace. This system has been adopted and used by many countries around the world.