

NNSWLHD Laundry Allowance Update

Dear Member,

As you would be aware, the HSU took NNSWLHD to the Industrial Relations Commission today to get them to pay laundry allowance and back pay for 6 years where required.

It is common sense that if you're given a uniform, you're required to wear it and you're required to keep it clean. You should get paid the laundry allowance.

However, your employer still thinks that they don't have to pay the full six years back pay by hiding behind an obscure argument around policy.

This isn't about policy, it's about your entitlement under the award.

Failing to pay workers according to their legal entitlements is pure and simple wage theft, and we will be seeking to make sure HSU members are paid what they are owed.

The next step now is for the dispute to be arbitrated. In the coming week the HSU will be sending out a short survey to gather evidence for the arbitration.

In the meantime, if you know someone who wears a uniform and is not being paid a laundry allowance, tell them to join the HSU and get involved in the claim. They can join by visiting www.hsu.asn.au/join, or by calling 1300 478 679.

In unity,



Gerard Hayes
Secretary, HSU NSW/ACT/QLD