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Dear Commission,

As a Registered Nurse of sixteen years experience, the last eleven in Intensive Care Units in Melbourne and the last two as full-time agency, I hope you will consider very carefully any plans to reduce and cap the rate an agency nurse can be paid.

Current agency rates, (which have only existed at current levels for the last six months anyway), appropriately remunerate me for the six years of education I have undertaken to proficiently operate sophisticated medical equipment.

Reduce remuneration to agency nurses and you will irreversibly destroy nursing as a profession and the healthcare system in this state.

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