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Protecting Workers' Entitlements

Federal Member for Kingston, Amanda Rishworth MP said today that the Gillard Labor Government will provide the strongest protection of employee entitlements Australian workers have ever had.

Ms Rishworth said that three strong new measures will be introduced under the *Protecting Workers' Entitlements* package:

- The Fair Entitlements Guarantee.
- Securing Super.
- Strengthening Corporate and Taxation Law.

Ms Rishworth said "We'll guarantee workers' entitlements, Tony Abbott will rip them away.

"Under the Fair Entitlements Guarantee workers' entitlements will be protected when the company they work for goes bust and can't pay them what they're owed.

"The biggest threat to the entitlements of workers is Tony Abbott – he simply can't be trusted not to bring back the worst aspects of WorkChoices."

Ms Rishworth is very pleased that the *Protecting Workers' Entitlements* package will deliver workplace protection to the people of Southern Adelaide.

Ms Rishworth said "The Fair Entitlements Guarantee protects entitlements including up to four weeks of redundancy pay for each year of service, all long service leave, all annual leave and up to three months of unpaid wages.

"Securing Super will strengthen compliance measures to ensure employees receive their superannuation entitlements.

"Strengthening Corporate and Taxation Law will give the Australian Securities and Investment Commission increased powers and strengthen penalties to take action against companies that do the wrong thing."