

MOTION 542 CONSULTATION

Youth Focus Groups Discussion Guide

What are you spending the money on? (flip chart exercise)

What are some of the sacrifices you make to hold a job?

Tell me about the jobs you have held (round table)

- First job was?
 - How old when you started that?
- Work for business your family or relative owns or runs?
- Summer job?
- During school?

What hours did/do you work?

- Would your employer allow you to work more hours if you could?
 - If so, who made the decision to limit your hours?
- What is the most you would consider working on school nights?
 - On weekends?
 - During summer or other holidays?
 - Why?

How late do you normally work?

- What is the latest you have worked?
- Would you work later if it was offered?
- Why or why not?

What effect has working had on your private / recreational / school life?

- Can you tell me about a time when you didn't study as much as you should have / handed an assignment in late / didn't get your homework done because your job kept you busy or tired?
 - What did you tell your teacher / parents?

What kind of equipment have you operated at work?

Most interesting thing you have ever done at work?

Training?

- Tell me about your training
- Specific to equipment?
 - Watch for specifics

Ever been hurt at work?

- What happened?
- Did you report it?
- Ever had a time when you were scared at work (physical danger)?

Supervising—ever had another student left in charge of you, vice versa?

- Ever had someone else left in charge, who had less experience/qualified than you, simply because they were older?

Opportunity gaps?

- Ever been turned down for a job because of your age?
- Ever been passed over on advancement or other opportunity because of your age?
 - Include seeing a junior, but older, worker get ahead when you didn't

Bill 109 highlights:

- a. Minimum age to work
- b. Minimum ages for types of work
- c. Hours and times of work
- d. Ages and hours for entertainment industry

Minimum working age of 12:

Feelings?

Exceptions?

Occupation Restrictions?

What about task restrictions?

What about operating equipment?

Time Restrictions?

Maximum number of hours on a school day?

Maximum number of hours on a non-school day?

What about maximum number of hours per week?

Different rules during school holidays?

Age restrictions for late /early hours?

Ever work on a film production?

Any message to pass long to legislators?