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Subject minimum wage

Dear Sir,

I have been an employee as well as an employer. Though it may be good to set a minimum wage for those who are being underpaid but have anyone ever think why these people will not move on to find another job with a better pay. I believe everyone knows their own capabilities and know how much each is worth in the market.

Being an employer now, why would I pay the same to those who can only do simple task due to his age, mentality and capability but holding the same title as those who is young and energetic. What will those who has more experience and energetic but getting the same pay as those who don't have the quality. Will that be fair to them and what happen to those unable to meet the criteria? Will they be eliminated? As an employer who should I give chance to, the less fortunate or those with better criteria?

If been an employee, I will think otherwise. If the low end job getting such a high minimum wage, example a cleaner is getting \$30 what will an office boy be getting? Why unemployment is getting high, it is not because of the minimum wage, it is all of the culture. The elderly ones get social welfare and their children will follow suit because welfare is so much easier to meet than getting a job nowadays. Those countries that are now heavily debted just because of they have welfare system. The lazy ones will get lazier while those mid level earning employees have to struggle to earn a decent living meantime paying taxes to feed them. Do you call fair??????

Since the government has passed on the minimum wage statutory, I just hope that the coming economy will not see many small companies have to close down because of this including myself.

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