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As a restaurant employee for nearly a decade, I support One Fair Wage in Connecticut. As a tipped employee you could make a great amount of money but it depends on your restaurant, the location, and the clientele that are coming in. It is impossible to expect to make the same amount each week which constantly fluctuates. Currently, the winter weather has greatly effected my earnings in February as it has snowed nearly every weekend, and I work in a busy restaurant that I typically do well at. The issue I have is the factor that your earnings are never a "set in stone" number. I have made \$50 on nights where my sales were over \$500 (10% is not a number anyone can survive off of). The fact that a server must depend on somebody that does not understand that their 18-20% tip is putting food on my table, or heating my house, etc. is appalling and there are people that still leave considerably less. I have always said that if you cannot tip your server than do not go out. Maybe the issue is people do not understand what is like being in this business but maybe that is what the problem is. Thank you

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Sent from my iPhone