

Sydney Lockout laws

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my opposition to the strict and unfair lock out laws that are currently in place in the Sydney CBD and Kings Cross area. I enjoyed 2 fun, vibrant years living in Sydney and enjoyed many of fantastic hospitality options on offer in the CBD and Kings Cross, which included restaurants, bars, clubs and many of the other ancillary business that support these industries. Nightlife was a major reason for me working in Sydney and I considered it's night scene one of best and, importantly, one of the safest in the world.

I was extremely sad to see the lockout laws come into place and watch the effect it had on the nightlife culture in Sydney. I now work overseas in the film industry and have to answer people honestly when they ask what it is like living in Sydney. Beautiful, warm, excellent job opportunities, but the nightlife has been decimated. Melbourne seems an increasingly more attractive city and the effect the Sydney laws have had, particularly on the youth culture, have been devastating.

I urge you to reconsider the lock out laws.

Kind regards,
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