

Liquor Law Reviews

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To: Liquor Law Review <liquorlawreview@justice.nsw.gov.au>;

Hi there

I'd just like to submit my opposition to the current Lock-out and liquor licensing laws. I believe that the more freedom & support people have, the better they will behave.

Having grown up in Brisbane and lived & partied right through their transition from "Open to 5am no restrictions" to "3am closing & drink restrictions" I can tell you that pre-lock out laws it was incredibly rare to see violence and chaos. As soon as the laws were brought in The Valley turned into fucking carnage at 3am, every weekend without fail for years. Not good.

I strongly urge you to consider unlocking Sydney and trying the below alternatives instead.

- More CCTV across Sydney city
- Stronger lighting in busy areas
- A structured communication line between venues and police
- Street entertainers to lift the mood of non-venue dwellers
- Stricter guidelines for alcohol advertising through mainstream media (TV, Outdoor)
- State run education programs on short, mid and long term effects of alcohols and drugs
- Salvation Army recovery stations for intoxicated patrons
- Public toilets
- Introduce education programs that teach young males how to express themselves with words not violent actions and break down this hyper-masculine idea of what it means to be male in this society.
- Re-instate the \$200 daily limit to problem gambling Smart Cards (which Mike Baird changed to \$5000 a day in July 2015)
- 24 hour trains (Melbourne did it, and it worked!)

Many thanks for your consideration.

Cheers
Tristan

BTW: I live in Potts Point and rarely go out drinking past midnight anymore, so what do I care right? Well I do, because this whole situation is globally embarrassing and entirely ineffective.

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