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Support for existing restrictions

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Sadly, Australian has a bad drinking culture that encourage drinking excessively, plus a broken alcohol tax system. Until these things are fixed, a State Government can only do something about liquor licensing and opening hours.

A restrictive liquor license and shorter opening hours would reduce business and some fun. However, the reduced violence and injury, plus a safer nicer environment is well worth the price. Esp since the benefit of liquor is limited to a small group, while the wider community has to suffer the consequences. The risk and time based liquor license fee is one way to address this problem, using the user pay principle.

The real culprit of losing live music is pokey. Performance spaces were replaced with more pokey machines.

With the ID scanner, I suppose it is a way to keep out know trouble makers. But lots of the infamous assaults occurred in public streets. Therefore, the ID scanner is more of an deterrence and enforcement, discouraging those trouble makers from visiting the area. It would be nice to have a less intrusive method to achieve the same aim.

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