

Lockout laws - Brainstorming ideas!

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The weekend is for people to unwind after a hard week at work or for tourists (which NSW relies a lot on) to stay up late, to drink, to laugh and dance with family & friends.

If lockout laws are here to stay(e.g closing time at 3am) then there needs to be other areas where rules & regulations can be less strict:

- Bottle shops should to open to 12pm at the earliest – seems unnecessary why they shut at 10pm especially how strict bars/clubs are to allow entry to people in the first place because they are so scared to gain a fine.
- Maybe only have lockout Laws between Sunday night to Thursday, let weekends go back to how used to be.
- If people are not allowed entry to a bar/club after 10pm then the state is literally telling us ‘you have had your fun and need to go home. (this is why bottle shops should close at midnight)
- Leniency needs to be made of rules when allowing patrons into bar/clubs, they need to be clear on why they are denying entry to someone after 2-3 drinks and not because they ‘believe’ you are drunk.
- If people have had a few drinks and aren’t being violent or threatening then where is harm to allow entry.

Sydney is the most popular city in Australia and people are now looking at Melbourne for fun... they seem to be attracting a lot more people because of these laws. Maybe NSW should look at how they are keeping their citizens, residents, tourists happy.

regards

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