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Hi,

I would like to submit my support to abolish lockout laws in Sydney. I feel the people that are responsible for the terrible deaths that occurred is unrepresentative of the rest of the population of this beautiful Sydney. These were young guys obviously with aggression issues. I feel that, women, people in the 30s and older people shouldn't be punished and restricted on account of their actions. We shouldn't be a government who implements more laws to control people. We should be a government who educate and change behaviours not with law after law. People have the free will to dance, to drink, be it in a small bar or in a large nightclub. These people shouldn't also be told what they can drink after 12 as its their choice what alcohol they are responsible for putting in there body, free will. It's embarrassing that a 50 year man can't get a scotch on the rocks after 12 in a multinational city. It goes to show whoever came up with these rules has no idea what they are doing, they've just made up legislation that has no relevance. It's also a complete double standard that the gambling areas are exempt. It can be dressed up and presented whatever which way but it stinks and the public aren't buying it. Encouraging people is far worse than allowing people to dance and have a few late drinks.

It's embarrassing that there is no live music, there are no DJs there is no fun and more in Sydney. Fun does not necessarily mean bad. Why can't fun and safe go hand in hand?

Blanket wide laws are not the answers.

1. Small bars should be allowed trade until 2am
2. Night club, dance bars licences should be issued and they should be allowed to trade until 5am
3. Shots should finished at 2am
4. You should be allowed to have a straight spirit if you would like as some people have intolerances to soft drinks and also people should have the choice of not having a mixer in there drinks
5. Severe Punishment for people who punch people. Also they should have to do community service of cleaning the streets or assisting late night venues after they shut, cleaning toilets etc. so they learn to respect the areas and establishments that serve them.
6. Public transport should be extended all Friday and Saturday night like Melbourne
7. Off licences in suburbs should be extended until 12am so mammys and daddy's can get a late bottle of wine if they want. Off licences in the city should shut at 11am
8. Nightlife areas should be pedestrianised at night to allow a wider area for foot traffic to pas each other. more police should be stationed on the street in those areas. The rocks, the city and Kings cross should be focus areas. Gays rarely fight so Oxford street should not be a focus area.
9. Perhaps explore creating a voluntary task force of normal people who assist drunk people to get home, who monitor crowds and have direct access to police support If needed.
10. Other licenced venues should encouraged to open late too like theatres so there are more things to experience if you don't want to drink and dance.

Change is needed lets become a globally recognised city for it's fun and night time experience again.

Thanks

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Sent from my iPhone