

Lockout laws

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To The Hon. Ian Callinan.

Sir, as someone in my mid-50s whose alcohol consumption is both extremely modest and sporadic, you might think I wouldn't care about the restrictions imposed by the lockout laws, but you couldn't be more wrong.

I appreciate the arguments put forward by doctors about the reduction in casualty patients at St Vincents (but find it incredibly compromising that they receive funding from the casinos – the only exempt businesses in the lockout zone), however an entire city is being punished for the actions of a violent few. Sometimes I want to stay out late with friends, and I don't want to be at home, but I and the vast majority of responsible adults are being treated like brattish children, controlled by religious zealots manipulating figures and buying votes. I don't care if two thirds of people in NSW allegedly approve of the laws – the only people whose opinion matters are those who live in Sydney and are directly affected by this legislation, and there were thousands of them out in force last month protesting this draconian legislation (although this month, they're quite likely to all be charged with an offence for daring to protest).

Sydney has always prided itself on being a cosmopolitan, global city, yet we are now the most boring, sterile and abandoned city not just in Australia, but the region. The number of businesses that have closed in the Kings Cross area alone is disturbing, not to mention the accompanying loss of jobs and amenity, vibrancy and energy that keep a suburb alive and give character to the city.

We have become the most over-policed nanny state in the country; our city has lost its soul.

Please consider alternative options such as those put forward by Clover

Moore, and give us back the city we love.

Regards,
Carolyn Diamond.

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