

Late Night Trading Sydney

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To Whom It May Concern:

I own and operate multiple venues in Melbournes CBD and have wanted to expand into Sydney for the past few years. I have travelled repeatedly to the city to scout locations but each time I have found something that could work for us I have been confronted with the archaic laws that restrict a venue owners ability to create and manage a venue in a positive and constructive manner and have declined lease offers due to these laws.

I currently employ just under 100 employees in Melbourne and would have invested in Sydney City prior to this were it not for the over regulation of the industry. Over regulation of the industry encourages good people to get out of the industry and operators with less scruples to step in.

Frankly the industry is tough enough without onerous, restrictive and debilitating laws that dictate what can be served and when it can be served. Penalising licensees who operate venues that operate unsafe venues continuously is a method that works the world over and the over reaction in Sydney does nothing other than transfer issues elsewhere.

Best regards.

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