

# Submission relating to the review of the Liquor Licensing regime in NSW

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To The Honourable Ian Callinan AC QC,

I am writing to you in regard to your independent review of the impact of liquor law reforms introduced in 2014. I am a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Law at the University of New South Wales and am aware of the rationale behind the introduction of these laws, as well as the raft of other legislation introduced at the same time in order to curb alcohol fuelled violence in NSW.

I support legislative changes that generate a safer approach to the consumption of alcohol in Australia and reduce violence in the streets of Sydney. However, a review of the extent to which the current regime addresses this aim should, in my view, find that the reduction in trading hours for the home delivery of alcohol is in fact contrary to the aims of the legislation.

I have personally used the online home delivery service *Jimmy Brings*. This business, and others like it, provides an alternative to going out to large pubs or clubs. Indeed, I believe that home entertaining is very much part of the solution to a positive change in our drinking culture. Where possible, it is my respectful opinion, that such alternatives should be promoted, not inhibited, and that the trading restriction that was introduced in 2014 be repealed in relation to home delivery sales.

Sincerely,

Melanie Schwartz