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Dear Sir,

I protest the three strikes legislation, as it is highly dangerous and potentially, could place long established existing businesses into Financial hardship and bankruptcy.

I have been involved in the hotel industry for Forty years.

Between my father and myself we have Eighty years of involvement in the NSW hotel industry.

What do we do ?

Basically collect revenue for the NSW and Commonwealth government.

We are the people that go to the banks, take financial risks, borrow large sums of money, and provide employment for the citizens of NSW.

I find it grossly unfair that our bank mortgage papers, has it listed as a condition of the loan contract:

That if a strike is incurred, it is considered a default on the loan contract.

It is too easy for politicians and the beaucracy to pass off this sort of legislation onto long established business that endeavour at all times to do the "correct thing" in regard to the liquor act in relation to RSA and RCG requirements.

It's a simple "passing of the buck" by the Government.

We are members of the local Liquor accord.

We have never had any trouble with the NSW Police and the Liquor authority in complying with the law.

We have gone to great Financial burden to install CCTV cameras, inside and outside our establishment, when there is no requirement to do so.

We cooperate fully with the local Licencing Police to combat any Alcohol abuse that happens in society.

I believe that Alcohol education should start early in the NSW Education system, instead of making knee jerk reaction, such as the Three strike system.

By all means keep the financial penalties, that occur when licenced establishment break the Law in regard to RSA and RCG compliance issues.

But please shelve the Three strike Policy.

After all we are not the enemy.

We are all on the same side to rid Society of this Alcoholic scourge.

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