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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I play at a rang of clubs from Toowoomba to Brisbane but are mainly based in Toowoomba

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Provide music to dance to

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Give me a second income to get by as well as a very acute market to cater for

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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These rules are made by a bunch of people who have no clue about any night life what so ever they have only heard about it through bias sources. I see first hand 2 nights a weekend what happens out and these laws are going to worsen the problem it's going to push people out on the streets when the clubs are busiest creating more people on the streets making what there reason for the violence is worse. It will also not cause people to drink less while out they will 9 times out of 10 drink the same amount just in less time. People who go out for a good time should not be punished for a select fews stupidity.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would cut our available set times in more then half creating a need of cut backs to be created and potentially forcing me out of a job or my times and pay to be cut back emensly

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Wouldn't cause any difference at all to anyone's night therefore been irrelevant

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Toowoomba night life would become extinct causing a massive blow to the economy as business is already tough

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Bias and should be kept even as this "problem" will be erected there

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Basically promoting gambling over a social night out with mates strong logic

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Heavier fines and bans from night life areas if people are arrested or are fined for anti social behaviour as this will keep them away from these areas to keep them from ruining other people's nights

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Q: Any other comments?

Learn about a problem for experiencing it not hearing about it. Pull your heads in you ideas are only going to create bigger problems! From a worker and participant in nights out 24/7

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Townsville, DJ, different venues

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Creating a fun and exciting experience for anyone who loves to dance and party

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Meet new people, dance with friends, learn from others in the night time economy

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Ridiculous that the casinos are allowed to function when gambling is a serious issue. Changing the time of last drinks/ lockout will only force people to drink earlier and cause issues to those that are downtown at 8 pm instead of at 11 pm

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Less work hours due to noise restrictions at earlier hours

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

When I finish djing I wouldn't be able to enjoy having my drinks at end of shift (normally a shot before I head home to celebrate the gig)

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Townsvilles nightlife is already diminishing, this would definitely force job losses and destroy the entire nightlife scene

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Absolutely ridiculous, makes gambling seem like a better option.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Going to a club or pub or even concert is a much better social interaction then spending money on pokies.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Stronger enforcement on serving of inebriated patrons, more police/ security, restrictions on number of higher strength alcohol instead of entirely banning it outright.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From ipswich. Work in ipswich but love to go out in brisbane and gold coast.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a patron and would not like to have my fun times taken away.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Its great. I used to do dj comps and being the only hobby i have there is nowhere else to do that and have fun so cutting the hours back means i cant enjoy socialising and competitions because if the hours are cut back then i wont be able to enter anymore.

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Its ok for a small quiet town but in the city people are just going to drink in public so it will probably mean more work for them.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Effect social life. I dont finish work until 9 on friday nights. By the time i go home and get into the city it is round 11 so doesnt seem like any point going out if i only have a couple of hours to hang with friends.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I enjoy cocktails and its pretty much all i drink. If this changes i will just stay at home and make my own.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

It would effect jobs for djs alot.they only work at night and get paid by the hour. So if their hours get cut they will probably have tp get a day job aswell. Thats unfair if that is what they love.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Gambling is addictive so they are pretty much forcing people to gamble their money and get nothin for it.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines dont help anyone. At least when we have local acts play we are showing support and helping them with their passion.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would have free drinking stations everywhere for anyone to use not much can be done about some anti social behavaiour - some people just shoudnt drink.

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Q: Any other comments?

If they do a trial for the changed maybe that would be ok. If it helps then officially change it but i think people will jist drink more and drink faster to get in before the new lockout times.so there might be more incidents earlier on in the night. Just a thought.

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Patron

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Meeting great people and having creative environments to further social fabric. Met wife

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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I believe they are ignorant and selective and personally they avoid issues of education especially security staffing and effective management. These measures will only serve to push the assumed problem elsewhere

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Social life. People would still want to party after these hours and this would simply put more people on the streets in the early hours

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Restrict freedom of choice and limit diversity of cultures

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Vibrancy and economic constraints on people and business

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Exposes the obvious lack of intelligence used to create these proposed changes. Revenue seems to be more important than any real solution

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Cultural growth compared to cultural destruction

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Less laws though more education and responsibility upon the individuals. Venue owners needing training in human behaviour

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Born in Tasmania, moved to Brisbane when I was 8. I went to Clontarf beach state high school and finished grade 12 there. I now work full time in customs and freight as a customs operator. I play soccer and love music. I goto the valley often as a way of socialising and dancing to music, often live bands or acts.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I have spent thousands on entry fees, drinks, and live performances. I do this purely on my own accord. At night, especially between the hours of 11pm and 5am is when I will be found in the city, the valley, or surrounding suburbs. I generally like to think I contribute to the local scene in music and other events.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I've had countless memorable moments in and around the city/valley. live music, other events, birthdays, work Christmas parties, even to just go for a drink and socialise, I think it's fair to say that I end up in the valley at least two or three times a fortnight. The hours I'm in the city or valley vary from 11pm-5am.

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I find the new times completely absurd. it seems to me to be over-bearing, harsh, controlling, and fascistic. What would be next if these laws were to be introduced? Forced curfews? Indirectly or directly, the laws proposed seem to be missing the point entirely. You only need to look at Sydney's kings cross to see the damage being dealt. The statistics brought to our awareness are skewed to fit the agenda. I'm not a conspiracist but there are other statistics out there that don't quote show the Kings cross laws are doing more harm than good. To be more anecdotal, I've seen violence occur at various points throughout a 'night' whether that's at 10pm, 1am, 3am, violence is hardly something that can be controlled, not least by decreasing the allowed

\over-seen\ times one (or many) can drink in venues. You\d think that to be \safer\ it would mean encouraging more people to be within bars/clubs at the times being looked at in regards to halting drinking or enforced lockouts... You would think.

12am is far too early, for straights or shots; if you ask any 18-25 year old you would hear that most people start to head in to the city or valley around 10pm-12am, meaning one has probably only had a couple of drinks by the time \strong\ drinks have stopped being served. I would love to know the real reason why casinos are excused from this ruling... 3am last drinks ? So the government would prefer people to either stash drinks in public areas, go home or to friends houses/units to continue drinking unsupervised? Because that\s what would be the response. Meaning even more of a hit on businesses; it wouldn\t be the people \not going out\ or \drinking less\ it would be the governments actions in bringing in these new laws having a direct affect on businesses and consumers will to want to buy.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I would personally feel the change, yes. In terms of \freedom\ or lack of, while having a direct affect on how I socialise. I\m lucky enough to not be a university student, studying and working in bars/clubs, sacrificing weekends to make a buck or two. These people would feel this the most and I completely sympathise with these people. For me, I would lose the freedom to pick and choose a venue or \place to be\ between the hours of 12am and 5am. Hypothetically, why would I leave home at 12am and spend two-three hours out? I could easily invite friends over to my house for that sort of time period. Or not, because sound/noise would probably get the police called. So what do you do? There doesn\t seem to be a lot YOU CAN DO. Lack of freedom is a huge deal with these laws being possibly introduced. Not to mention the countless friends that work in the city/valley, who are prominently students. Socially, it would be a big hit. Apathy towards \going out\ or \socialising\ would be the natural next step, which is not a good sign for young Queenslanders, who lets face it, would be the real victims/sufferers in this scenario.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Only lately as I have started to mature when out at pubs/bars/clubs have I been experimenting with straight/neat alcohol. Sure, it\s nice, but there\s always alternatives to it, which for me, isn\t a huge issue. I can certainly see why some would not like it, since it\s just a preferential thing. Would I be happy with beers/lighter drinks post 12am? I suppose, though it\s not ideal.i personally get sick of certain drinks, repeated/cycled drinks, I prefer mixing it up in terms of flavour more than anything. So yes, an unnecessary limitation, although I could see the point behind it.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I think the Brisbane night life culture is already in trouble, these newly proposed laws would only accelerate and crate new problems entirely. Yes, I can see business\s closing down, especially small, locally run businesses (aka, I can see big business surviving albeit only just). Staff in these business\s would obviously be cut (good bye university students). Again, people would head for the streets, home/friends houses, or sought illegal alternatives. Already i (anecdotal, again) that Melbourne is the music scene for Australia, I hear about and see friends and friends of friends moving to Melbourne for greater opportunities their in comparison to Brisbane. I know people want to stay in Brisbane, but with these proposed laws, only more will follow suite. It will directly affect after parties from festivals/live gigs and it\ll hamper agents in deciding where to host their client (the live performer) because no performer will want to perform early, to finish up by 12am. Not only that, but right now we have a healthy dose of performers that go from 10pm all the way through to, from last weeks evidence, 3:30am. That\s a big difference considering some acts will play for 1 hour to 3 hours.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Not happy about that at all. We can have people drunkenly gamble, but can\t have drinks served passed 12am ?

Ridiculous. gambling is addictive and is high losses for minimal gain. Conversely alcohol is something tangible and can effect you, whether or not that's bad is up to the person drinking. They're both legal, however one strips you of money - and quickly - while one actually pays for something tangible that you can consume. One helps add to an experience, encourages social experiences and is fairly controlled, while one is not.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

One completely out weighs the other in terms of community interests. One is completely negative (unless you win the big one!) while one promotes social interaction, valuable life experiences, and can really help some people on an individual level in relation to promoting self awareness and mental/physical growth. Comparing that to... A completely individual focused activity, music and other live events trump poker machines in what you are getting out of either activity.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I have no idea, I haven't been put in a situation to think like that and I'm not naive enough to suggest something I am not knowledgeable enough to have a valid opinion on. The proposed laws are certainly NOT what I would be doing, closer to the opposite end of the spectrum of what I would be doing.

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Q: Any other comments?

I struggle to fathom what the benefits of such a possibility is. What's the aim here? Is there a greater goal? It is undeniably counter productive, had potential to be a culture killer, is more than likely going to put business's and individuals out of business/out of the job and WILL either create a negative response or people will choose elsewhere or other means to act as a substitute for what is being stopped and/or changed. I fear the worst but am optimistic that things like this won't be pushed through. I really hope people will have a voice or utilise their voice to show their dismay on the issue.

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Not realistic.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Fortitude Valley and I frequent many of the local bars around here, the city, South Bank and West End.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Sound System Installations

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

My main line of work is installing and servicing sound systems in bars, clubs and hotels. I work for a company called Acoustic Technologies (AT) which is a Brisbane based designer and manufacturer of pro audio equipment. AT has been around since 1972 and has its roots in venue audio.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Working with the people, hoteliers and publicans, bar staff etc  
Seeing the creative ideas coming out from small bar owners  
Enjoying each bar's unique vibe, theme and atmosphere

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It's a disappointing reality that the people putting forward these proposed policies just don't go out and perhaps never did. It is an exciting time for Brisbane bar culture and the last thing we need is for these fantastic establishments to have their already limited trading hours reduced further. I don't understand how these policies will create new jobs? Why would you keep your bar open after 1am if you can't serve alcohol and you don't have pokies???? Gambling isn't culture - live music and DJs / Producers performing is however.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Yes the proposed wind back in trading hours will lead to less work, why would a bar that only serves alcohol stay open after 1am.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It will impact on my right to go out after a late night of work and have an "after work" drink.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I live in the Valley, it will greatly impact local business and the scene, especially considering the Valley is the entertainment precinct of Brisbane and QLD.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Its absolutely crazy but supports my view that these politicians who propose these lockouts don't go out or never have gone out. Why you would be so ruthless with our live music and DJ performer scene in favour of gambling is beyond me. Flutter on the pokies - I don't think so.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker Machines are just terrible and represent no benefit socially, they are certainly not a good cultural aspect.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I feel that accountability is one of the most important aspects of dealing with the issue. Australians are well educated and do understand consequences, as long as there are some of course. I know its another discussion but our approach to restricted drinking (already) is largely what drives the trouble now, forbidden fruit 101. Preloading is one of the more serious things happening now and this "get it while you can" approach will only increase with further restrictions on peoples right to go out. 1am lockout isn't a consequence to minority of people who want to cause trouble however is it a very unfair reality for the vast majority who don't cause trouble.

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Q: Any other comments?

I am severally disappointed in the Labour Government and their short sighted quick fix approach. Their pointless struggle to implement these ineffective and clearly unpopular policies, including the eight month setback, means valuable time has been lost to deal with the issue properly.

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**From:** [Ryan Goldsworthy](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Ryan Goldsworthy  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Fortitude Valley, I work in Fortitude Valley (Mon-Fri 9-5) and I frequent Fortitude Valley for entertainment, dining, drinking and socialising at minimum 3 times weekly.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a patron of over 15 venues in the Fortitude Valley entertainment precinct on a very regular basis. I visit a number of these venues late at night, and continue drinking regularly into the wee hours of the morning. It's what I enjoy doing, and I do it responsibly. I have never been in a fight, never heard of my friends in a fight, nor have I witnessed a fight in over 10 years of going out in the valley.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I support local artists of both the band and DJ varieties, u encourage my friends to join me and explore local talent, as well as try out new venues. Most of these venues are late night entry places, and the overwhelming majority of them currently hold licenses past 3am. I am able to enjoy my weekends in a way I have come to appreciate, and continue to do so in a safe environment.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I believe the new laws will have an adverse result on the nightlife, as well as the regular venues that don't trade into the very late night. Late night venues exist because a desire to go out late at night exists. Forcing people to go out earlier will not encourage them to do so, and will push people into unsupervised house party situations, or into illegal warehouse style parties. This is neither healthy for the economy, nor is it safe.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

My social life would be drastically affected, in a most negative way. It's unfair on the citizens to punish the many for the abhorrent behaviour of the few. I have seen that the reason for these new laws is to reduce the effect that alcohol has on health issues, as well as reduce alcohol fuelled violence. This argument only stands up indeed the cost of those negative aspects outweighs the cost of the loss of jobs that is likely to occur should the laws be passed. Ignoring that logic though, I firmly believe the onus lies on government to punish those responsible for the fights, the injuries, the health risks rather apply harsher laws on the majority that follow the laws, and enjoy doing so safely.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I enjoy a wide variety of drinks in a responsible manner - mixed spirits, neat spirits, shots, beer, wines, cocktails and more. I have done so and will continue to do so well into the early hours of the morning. To take this away from me, and many others who enjoy it, is a deprivation of freedom, and a band-aid solution to the symptoms of the issue, rather than a treatment of the problem. It smacks of restrictive governance, and is not what is fair to the people.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Given that I live in an entertainment precinct, I will experience a direct affect on my quality of living. As late night venues close from lack of revenue, so will smaller businesses that rely on their volume of trade. Associated restaurants will become less busy, people will move out of the area, and the vibrancy of the suburb will drastically decrease. This is not what I moved here for. The new laws, if passed, will absolutely make me consider moving to another part of the country. I am not alone in my thinking.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

A blatant disrespect of the smarter people who walk among us, and a clear exhibition of favouritism for those venues that pay monstrous taxes to the government in the form of gambling tax. It's a double standard, and it's plainly disgusting.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines are a drain on society - I have previously worked in the hospitality industry for 10 years and have seen first hand the issues poker machines being. For the majority of people that play them, they bring about poverty in their use. Their addictive nature means people will forego basic needs such as food and housing in order to play them. I have overheard a player say he needed to 'win big or else he couldn't make rent'. Stories like this are not uncommon for regular police players.

Socially interactive places like nightclubs and bars of course do not come without their downfalls (like anything really), but when put side by side, the negatives of the poker machines far outweigh nightclubs.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

If I were in parliament I would fight for harsher rules for people engaging in anti-social behaviour, I would raise the fines for breach of RSA for both staff and licensees, I would encourage more positive behaviour through the use of prominent community programs that promote safe and responsible consumption of alcohol.

I would also think about the possibility of an app, or a text line that people were able to alert authorities to instances of anti-social behaviour. Crowd sourced reporting can be much faster than other methods, and

repeated alerts would indicate a greater level of police presence required. I think some people are afraid to call 000, and not many people know about police link.

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Q: Any other comments?

Stop listening to yourselves in parliamentary meetings, and listen to the people who speak. I have written to my member of parliament on this matter before, and was ignored, and the lockout laws were passed last time, despite the overwhelming disagreement from the community.

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Submission by:  
Name: Nathan Costabeber  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Clifton Baggerman](#)  
**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
**Cc:**  
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Submission by:  
Name: Clifton Baggerman  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am located in the Fortitude Valley, and I work at venues such as Prohibition, Alfred & Constance, Capulet, Soleil, Prestige, Laruche, Soho Sundays

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work as a DJ mostly in the Fortitude Valley area, I work Thursday - Sunday finishing around 3 - 5 am on those nights

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I feel there is a strong police presence when out and never once have i felt unsafe,

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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First of all i find these new proposals will be confusing and damaging to the late night economy. Venues that are not going to be able to exist with these new laws will be the standalone nightclubs especially the ones known for their signature cocktails. In regards to the casinos having 24hour trade it setting a bad example almost like it is encouraging people to play pokies which to me its almost promoting people to gamble. In closing i can see why these laws are being proposed, we do have a problem with alcohol related violence but punishing the whole night time trade is not the answer. we should focus on punishing the individual that creates the problem with harsher penalties.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

the winding back of the trading hours would severely affect me and a whole lot of people who rely on those extra hours for income. I am able to work mainly 3 sometimes 4 nights a week and make an income that allows me to to have an amazing work life balance. if these laws were to come in it would make my life a whole lot different and harder as half if not more of my hours would be cut.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I believe the banning of certain types of drinks are going to affect bars like cocktail bars and lounge bars.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I believe you would see businesses closing down due to foot traffic declining. Then that means there will be a lot job losses you would be hurting a lot jobs. musicians struggle enough with opportunities so this will only just make it harder lets not destroy our creative arts in QLD. Local areas will diminish and there will be no reason to have a club open.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think this just proves that the intentions of the government are not 100percent about tackling violence. if you are going to propose a lockout then you shouldn't make venues with poker machines exempt.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I am not happy about that at all because you are creating a culture for the youth that its a perfectly fine to go out every weekend and play pokies alcohol related violence is terrible but so is gambling addiction the only difference is gambling makes the government money.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

My ideas would start from educating the individual by letting them know that alcohol related violence is wrong. I would create adds like the do about drink driving as well as speeding showing what goes wrong when you do such things. Also i would make the punishment on the individual creating the violence a lot harsher.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Daniel Eichmann  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane, fortitude valley and brisband CBD

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Never had any major incidents.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Loss of freedom. Less likely to attend the venues.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I enjoy neat spirits. Stupid idea.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Business will definitely struggle, smaller venues will close. Client numbers will decrease significantly.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Absolutely disgusting.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Harsher penalties, reduce taxes on liquor. Would stop the problem of having to drink copious amounts prior to going out to save money.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Samuel Meddows  
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Phone:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a musician and perform in venues across Brisbane.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Brisbane nightlife is great and is now more violent then it was 20 years ago.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Disgraceful control and borderline oppression. Laws need to be applied to the offenders and not the Venus. If you get drunk at night you are banded for drinking in the nightlife for x amount of months.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

This is going to promote more people taking drugs and drinking and partying at home. It will ruin live music and the general party scene. It was also take away jobs in the nightclubs and bars.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

This is oppression and can't be allowed to be implemented.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All of the above. The whole industry will collapse.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is corruption and needs to be called out and prevented.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

This question doesn't make sense. How is there a benefit to the community with poker machines.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

People need to take ownership of their actions. If you are drunk and disorderly you are banned from being intoxicated in public for x months. If you are a repeat offender you are banned for good.

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Q: Any other comments?

If one is overseas you either take responsibility for your drinking and partying or you end up in hospital or jail. Why is it any different here. Laws should be reduced from their standing on Venues and instead focused on the ones causing damage.

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Submission by:  
Name: Gabrielle Dowling  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live on the Gold Coast and love to go to some clubs in broadbeach sometimes. Love, club Liv, platinum, envy

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a mother and deserve to enjoy a good night out when its possible. If these new laws are implemented, I would be very disappointed.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

So many. I have had such amazing and fun nights out because of the long nights in the night life scene. Most people go to enjoy. And its not as

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Bullshit

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would affect the aocial life I have. I like to go for dinners and drinks then go out and have an enjoyable night. I am human- i deserve these rights to enjoy some drinks and dance

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It would make my experience uneventful and non interesting. I pay for a night out to really enjoy.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I definitely believe the vibrancy would be demolished. Gold Coast nightlife is a tourist attraction.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I believe this is the wrong type of entertainment to be keeping available.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I think its a joke.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Keep the laws as it is. Not everyone is out to cause problems. Drugs will be, alcohol will be. If its not in the club scene, it will be in the neighbourhoods. Atleast in the nightlife scene- there is security and police to take care of problems.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Gemma Guy  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from Ipswich and often go to Brisbane City (Eagle Street Pier) or Fortitude Valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a customer and try to support local venues and bands.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I think it is a great way to make new friends, hear new music and see all of the great things Brisbane has to offer.

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I think that will potentially turn me away from going out at night. I am a responsible patron who rarely drinks, however it seems unfair to those doing the right thing that we should be punished for actions very few fools are making. There are smarter more effective measures that could be taken to reduce violence that could lead to more jobs and not less.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would result in a loss of freedom to go between venues and see different crowds as well as limiting the type of events I can attend and how often I will go out.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I rarely drink, however when I do - I drink cocktails. They're a treat and not for every day consumption and I may have a maximum of 3 drinks in a night. But taking them off the menu after a certain time will be very disappointing and will reduce how often I go out.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

A lot of my friends play in bands and they often get their first gigs late at night at local bands which support live music. Reducing opening hours and enforcing lockouts will reduce the ability for them to engage with local venues. Additionally, a number of businesses rely on the income generated from nightlife to survive. I would hate to see Fortitude Valley turn into a ghost town for the sake of a few bad eggs.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Its appalling.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Allowing arts to thrive in the community will allow for more opportunity for youth to grow and develop skills in a number of areas. Poker machines are a waste of money and are dangerously addictive.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

No.

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Submission by:  
Name: Adam Klemm  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Born and raised in Brisbane, work and play there too!

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I bring the music and the love to crowds around the town!

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

People having fun and loving their special night out are the most rewarding parts of my job in the industry!

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I don't like the new proposals, if anything, reduce the liquor consumption but don't reduce the hours! We need the hours to survive!

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Reductions in hours will put many musicians out of the job and reduce the important exposure of new artists!

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Opportunities for musicians will be reduced, this will crush dreams and kill our culture.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Hypocritical, encouraging gambling and turning the blind eye to the quality music culture the city needs.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

People getting involved with the regions music scene will improve the culture of Australia rather than turning it into a hospitalized poker playing wasteland.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would reduce the availability of highly alcoholic drinks, increase advertising and social media spread for campaigns that show people that they can have a better night helping each other and spreading love rather than fighting. Its more of a social problem rather than a substance problem at the end of the day.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Jason Clark  
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Phone:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Townsville - I perform as a musician 3 - 4 nights a week.  
It is my sole income.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Live entertainment, Solo Musician and perform in a band. I travel throughout Queensland for potential work as I already experience difficulty performing enough to make an agreeable income.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Great fun, Great atmosphere and a great opportunity for someone like myself who is a tradesman who has a work place injury preventing me to work further in my trade of 10 years.

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Last drinks at 2 am is shocking. 1 am lockout is shocking.  
Casino's being exempt only seems to encourage gambling which I have a personal gripe with from a family tarnished by a problem gambler amongst us.  
I am aware that some people behave poorly when under the influence. However, Townsville has become far safer from when I was 18 and there was no lockout. Everything traded until 5 am. Admittedly the 3 am lock out has made for a safer Townsville, but I do not think further restrictions are necessary.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Less work, and less social life.

More so, as after a gig finishing between 2 am or 3 am is over. That is my opportunity to talk to other potential clients and friends who have come out to "see me".

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

No shots after midnight would be more of a financial loss. I believe it would also encourage binge drinking more. As, to replace taking a shot. People would skull their drinks. If that drink is no different from any other beverage they can have any other time of night. They will become accustomed to skulling all their drinks.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think that is disgraceful.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

No contest.

Going to a pub to listen to music is far more a social event than playing pokies.

People going out to enjoy a venue stoked with the pokies are doing simply that. Going out to play the pokies, not to socialise. But, to gamble their income away. Or potentially win big. But, we know that the house always wins.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Give myself a pay rise.

I don't believe that we have a dangerously anti-social culture.

I would make mandatory sentences for aggressive behaviour. The few are the problem and they should be punished for their actions rather than a curfew on an entire state.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Matthew Mallardi  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Townsville i am pro drummer and i play in bands for a living

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

My role as a drummer is to keep the beat and make people happy through music i love my job and if this new law passes it will not only Jeopardise my carrer but also people are not going to go home and sleep they will make parties at there house and the cops will be going around to several noise complaints the government has a lack of understanding and this will solve nothing but create more jobs and more troulbe

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Good vibes meeting new people and having fun seeing the joy when people dance to my beats

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Its poor...

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

i would get less gigs

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

it would not

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

places will start closing there doors

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

thats poor again no concept

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

there a waste of money

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

i would not let this law pass.... and i would find a way around it

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Alessandro Piovesan  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Gold Coast /Brisbane

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Mainly Entertainment drawing punters in

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Extended hours gives night workers a chance to have a few drinks and down time without being hurried at the end of their day.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Incredibly bias towards small venues, and at the same time seemingly propping up soulless casinos and gambling venues.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

All of the above.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Not directly, but there will be a follow on effect with certain venues possibly tightening their belts.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All of the above

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Just another slap in the face for the music industry, who when poker machines were first introduced into QLD, had been, relegated to a corner, and told to turn the sound down below ambient room noise. If that's the case, keep them in casinos only, where that licence applies.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

-Music gives to people in countless ways.  
-Poker machines take from people in many ways,

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Networked ID scanners through all licensed venues. Red flag and heavy bans for offenders from not just one, but all licensed venues in QLD.

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Q: Any other comments?

This level of blanket, 'nanny state' policy making, will just shift the problems into the suburbs and the bush, where there will be less control, and potentially more violence sexual assaults and drink driving related incidents.

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Submission by:  
Name: Sulie Buckton  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in a small but popular holiday destination and I work in the restaurant/hospitality industry and I like to have the option to take advantage of the nightlife available in the area

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Restaurant/food service

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It is great to be able to enjoy the nightlife on days off and with friends

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I don't fee these changes or reforms are necessary or justified.. why should we all be punished for others bad behavior

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

There would be less work... it would impact my social life and freedom.. and friends businesses would more than likely close

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I don't indulge in several shots but when I do I spread them over the evening... I would really be disappointed if there was a cut off time... I don't want to have to rush to have my shots

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

This would affect the area immensely. . Loss of jobs.. businesses closing and as it is a popular holiday destination it would have a negative impact

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

That is completely unfair

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I despise poker machines

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Enforce the guidelines that are already in place

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Troy McCormack  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Tourism

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Justin Tomarchio  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Living in Mackay currently and enjoy a night out on the town until 5am

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I'm a consumer and I spend up to \$200 on a night out

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Never been in a fight out always enjoy drinking with my mates, dancing and having fun till 5am

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Waste of time as it will cause more people to binge drink harder during pre drinks

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Would affect the job prospects of people I am friends with. Would also limit time spent socially with friends. The government is being too paternalistic saying it knows what's best for people.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Would annoy me and frustrate other patrons being told what they can and can't drink, very used to the current

system don't see any reason for change just due to the actions of a few. Similarly it would be the same as me never leaving my house due to terrorists even though there is only a small number of people that are actually terrorists and I shouldn't stop living life due to the actions of a minority

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Would destroy a lot of jobs and revenue that the government is currently getting through tax

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I believe that too be hipocrisy at its finest

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I don't play pokies as I'd rather keep my money and no I have money for a taxi if I need it. There just revenue raising machines that are evil

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Trust in the people, educate adolescents but acknowledge they will always engage in risk taking behavior due to how the brain develops. People will always die from something, you can't prevent everything stop being so paternalistic and safe as Australia always is

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Daniel Neilsen  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Townsville. Play in multiple pubs and clubs

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Live music creates atmosphere for patrons to enjoy

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

In most case patrons are very well behaved and polite

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I think the 1am lockout will kill night life in townsville and many venues will no longer have live music

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Yes, bands would have much fewer gigs

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Stupid idea

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes, I foresee business closing and bands not being able to play in venues

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

It's ridiculous

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Live music venues are an important part of the artist community

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Make penalties a lot for four anti social behaviour, don't punish everyone else

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Jessica Taylor  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I was born in Hervey Bay and moved to Cairns at 16. I became passionate about the hospitality industry from a young age and loved to visit restaurants with my family. At 14 I became a kitchenhand and then transitioned to waitressing, bar, and eventually nightclub work. Throughout my career I have met some of the most amazing, interesting people on both sides of the bar and I take immense pleasure out of providing customer service and knowledge to every person I serve. I have managed pubs and bars in Cairns and am passionate about responsible service of alcohol. I possess an RMLV and approved managers licence and love to keep up to date with my local liquor accord. I believe that we can all provide a fun, safe and relaxing atmosphere for customers through knowledge, tact and a keen eye for any potential issues. I firmly believe that the methamphetamine epidemic in this county is a much larger and more dangerous issue than the service of alcohol. Drunks are able to be reasoned with. People who mix drinks and alcohol are not.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am both an industry member and a patron and I thoroughly enjoy providing and receiving a place to relax and enjoy the company of people around me.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I am very close to the community of security guards in Cairns and I see on a daily basis how hard they work and how caring watchful and diligent they are in ensuring the safety of the public and preventing rapid and/or excessive consumption of alcohol. I see them reason with and assist intoxicated persons when necessary and the only times I have seen any issues arise are when drugs are involved.

The music community provides an opportunity for people of any age to gain genuine enjoyment out of their time away from work and the people who travel to my town from around the world provide us with an improved outlook and multicultural aspect to our lives which I believe makes them more whole and fulfilling.

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I believe that if access to alcohol is taken away from patrons they will be more likely to attempt to procure illicit drugs in an effort to "keep the party going" which will make them become more unpredictable and will potentially put more of a strain on the medical industry through the potential for drug interactions/ overdose/ violence/ accidents.

I believe that through sufficient support and training for staff and venues the potential for rapid and excessive consumption of alcohol can be decreased and removing the option for cocktails, rtds, neat alcohol etc strikes me as very much a lazy attempt at controlling this.

This is an industry that provides fulfilment to patrons and revenue to the government and rather than creating blanket rules which will potentially shut bars down and drive drinking to people's homes, the government should invest in education of the public and hospitality staff to foster a safe, mutually responsible environment.

Lockouts also put a large amount of people on the streets, outside the care and supervision of licenced venues which will put pressure on the police and emergency services to control these crowds and prevent any danger.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Losing these trading hours will cost me and many people I know jobs which they are passionate about. It will create resentment from both the industry and the public as they will be losing freedoms they have grown up with and will be forced to seek other methods of fulfilment which could include house parties (danger to property, noise complaints, children in suburban areas losing sleep on school nights), drugs (higher rate of addiction, property damage, breakdown of relationships and families) and the travel industry in QLD will effectively dry up as people from other countries look elsewhere to enjoy themselves.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I generally work all of my shifts at night which means on my days off, I don't go out for an "afternoon/evening" drink until well after 11pm. Preventing people like me and other shift workers from being able to drink a cocktail or a neat spirit or even an rtd and hour after we have entered a licenced venue strikes me as unfair. The time of day should not dictate what type of beverage can be served as long as it is served responsibly and within existing legal trading hours.

I do not believe the restriction of type of alcohol will assist many businesses in preventing undue intoxication as there are already procedures and training in place for staff to refuse service of alcohol to patrons displaying signs of undue intoxication.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

There are very few late night venues operating in my local area and they are all currently working together to prevent dangerous situations and any harm to the community. The few late night venues left operating are working with the liquor accord to ensure a safe night for all patrons and have extensive risk-assessed management plans for all their operations. If the venues were to have more restrictions place on them, the cbd of cairns will become empty at night. The bars will lose revenue and staff, DJs and musicians will possibly move interstate or elsewhere to seek better employment opportunities. The late night restaurants will also lose revenue and my city will lose much of its culture and vibrancy.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I believe that the community deserves to have as many ways as possible to enjoy a safe night out, this should



not be restricted to poker machines as there is the potential to encourage problem gambling as one of the only means of escape/ enjoyment available to people at that time of night. People have a right to choose where they spend their money and time and there need to be options that have less of a negative effect on the community as a whole.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I feel that the social interaction of licenced venues is far more important to the community than the availability of poker machines which do not provide any interaction between people at all, sometimes for hours at a time.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I believe that better training and a sense of working together as a whole between the community, government, local councils, licenced venues and emergency forces is necessary. A decision like this needs to be made with careful regard to all aspects of the community.

I believe that tackling unemployment, poverty, indigenous welfare and the prevalence of drugs in our society is of much higher importance to the state and country than imposing blanket rules over the liquor industry which operates transparently and with a large interaction with local communities. I believe that Australia does have a binge drinking culture but we can challenge and change this by education, availability of drinks to be enjoyed like cocktails and neat serves of alcohol, empowerment of staff, venues and security to be responsible for their patrons and a much larger interaction with the community in these matters. Queenslanders are smart people who deserve an input and deserve to have some of the responsibility for their behaviour placed back on their own shoulders. Instead of punishing the whole for the actions of a few, I firmly believe that we should increase penalties for the actions of the few and strive to create a sense of respect and care for the rest of the community.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Daniel Coombes  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm a casual bartender on the Sunshine Coast in Mooloolaba. I work at O'Malley's Irish Bar, we open as a club Friday-Sunday till 3am, I get almost all of my hours over this 3 night period.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
\* New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am  
\* In precincts, 1am Lockout & 3am Last Drinks (effectively closing time) instead of 3am Lockout & 5am Close  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

Last drink times need to be revised, 1am lockout needs to be left as it is.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I think personally as a uni student as well as bartender I would lose my Job without a doubt, the cut back on the hours I generally work would result in a need to cut staff and I feel as a student you are the easy one to get rid of because you already have a \"fallback plan\" with uni.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Banning shots and cocktails after 12am only encourages the use of other, possibly illicit substance use in and around night clubs. Also by banning drink sales of stronger drinks after 12 people will likely drink more before this time causing more patrons to become intoxicated and out of control.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

My local area is already horribly short on anything to do after midnight anyway with most smaller bar venues only operating till 12.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Obviously this is a cash grabbing load of sh\*t for the good old government. It\'s going to encourage more people to go to venues that exist only to provide gambling services leading to more gambling addictions. As someone who has seen the effects that problem gambling has on a person and experienced that myself I think this is a horrible, evil idea.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

This is a beautiful question, obviously I feel that this is very encouraging of anti-social behavior as from my own experiences I have noticed that very few people playing poker machines interact with anyone around them and are focused entirely on the screen in front of them.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Life time bans for anyone caught assaulting or causing bodily harm to another person unless its in extreme circumstances, more education through high school about the effects on everything from the individual to the health care system of drunken violence. Making health related courses in school mandatory so people grow up being more aware.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Victoria Tinkler  
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Phone:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I grew up in Brisbane and work at Myer.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work part time as a bar tender.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

A great way to celebrate special occasions with friends and meet new people.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

Sounds like a big punishment which will make going out not worth it anymore.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I wouldn't get as many hours at the bar, the bar would lose money. I wouldn't see friends as much as I used to.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Often when I go for a night out, I arrive at the clubs or bars at 11/12. I drink cocktails and enjoy shots with friends, and don't like to drink a whole lot at once - I would feel forced to drink too much at an early time -

which is both dangerous and not enjoyable.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I live in Fortitude Valley and love how it comes to life on the weekend. I have a lot of friends who have just started DJing, and have been given the end times to play, since they're still improving. That opportunity will be gone if the club closes 2 hours earlier.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

It's obvious that money can control anything - and all these new laws are passed at clubs and bars as opposed to casinos because casinos bring more revenue.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines are anti social and create big gambling problems for some people.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Lauren Perrett  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Windsor and work in a bar in Fortitude Valley. I am a full-time student and also paying a mortgage, so cutting back my hours is going to have a massive effect on my income, as it did back when they introduced the 3am lock out. I will not be able to continue to study full-time if this is implemented. Over 100 people work in my bar and they will be similarly affected.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I provide services in a bar that enable a safe and fun environment for people to socialise and relax within.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have worked in the same bar for ten years and generally enjoy my job. The flexible environment and has allowed me the ability to study twice at university, buy my first home, pay for my wedding and travel. As a patron, I used to enjoy the fact that I could finish a shift at 3am and head out for a couple of hours of fun after spending a full week studying and the weekend working.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think that the government plans won't work as they are trying to treat the symptoms of a minority, rather than the drinking culture as a whole.

Tourism is going to die off and more and more people are going to be making welfare claims and having to quit studying as they will no longer be able to afford to do so (myself included).

I think that it is convenient for the government to yet again not include the casino as part of these new rules -

their revenue will not be affected.

I only like sipping on neat whiskey, so my freedom to enjoy drinks that are created to be served neat, not with disgusting soft drinks will be denied to me.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

As revealed by the 3am lockout, which certainly did affect me, it will definitely push more people onto welfare and cause people to quit or withhold studying. In an economy that already has unemployment as an increasing problem and high costs of living, the government is essentially destroying thousands of people's livelihoods. 100 + people work me who will find these new changes devastating.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Many people, particularly older generations prefer to be served neat liquor. I do too. I choose not to drink soft drink as I do not enjoy it and sip on whiskey instead. Why should I be forced to drink something that makes me feel ill?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All of the above.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I feel that the government places more value on raising gambling revenue than promoting the artistic endeavours of the Queensland people.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Clearly the government is more interested in revenue raising than the livelihood and happiness of the citizens.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Start education in schools from a very young age. Punish offenders more harshly and create community educational programs for offenders to complete under court order. Continue to ban people from precincts, even for minor offences. No bad behaviour should be tolerated. Ban the sale of energy drinks in bars. Stimulants and depressants should not be mixed, working in a bar for ten years has made that evident.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Dylan Jamieson  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Brisbane, and I work at GPO nightclub in Fortitude Valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Promoter/Host

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I assist in the promotions of the nightclub and I also help host guests when the venue is open

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have met some of my best friends where I am working, and it is very rare that you find a job that you enjoy doing and that puts a smile on your face.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I believe that changing the last drinks to an earlier time will force people to drink harder and faster. This will event in more fights, more alcohol related injuries/poisoning and eventually loss of business. The change of lockout time and closing time takes away business from many nightclub owners that have worked ridiculously hard to be where they are today.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It will affect my working hours & potentially loss of job due to the nightclub closing completely.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

As a paying patron in a nightclub you should be able to drink what you want & when you want considering that you are not heavily intoxicated & not causing trouble. It would definitely affect my experience because I & many other people I know do not go clubbing until 11pm-12pm usually.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I see businesses closing, job losses & local revenues losing money. Opportunities for rising musicians will definitely be affected, Fortitude Valley will not be the fun cultural area it is today if these lockout laws come in.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I don't think it is fair that while people will not be able to drink & have a good time, other people will be able to potentially form gambling habits & throw away ridiculous amounts of money.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

The only benefit of poker machines is making money. So if clubs that have poker machines can make money, I find it unfair that clubs without poker machines can not.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I have always believed that changing the lockout times and closing times will not make violence in the streets better. It will just cause more people to hang around the Valley for longer & upset that they had to leave so early. I would suggest possibly more police patrols in the Valley, possibly more security guards in clubs. Also the constant opportunity to free water whilst in the club & at the door exiting.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Scott Thomas Douglas  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from townsville qld

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Entertainment

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Brett Whitbread  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Townsville, I have a full time day job as a professional and I play the drums in a four piece band as a supplemental income at local venues including Flynns Irish Bar, the Dalrymple Hotel and other venues across Townsville and North Queensland.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I take my role in the industry seriously, as it is my job to entertain the patrons to help the venue make a profit and stay in business, consequently employing a number of people directly and indirectly. I enjoy what I do but more importantly this income helps me send my kids to school, look after my disabled father and generally make ends meet, in the hope that life will be more prosperous in the future.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I love playing live music in front of crowds. I see the positive feelings that our band created when we interact with the crowds and each other. We help the population unwind and enjoy life when some time things aren't good in their lives. We see joy in peoples faces when we connect with them on stage and in turn that brings us joy. We rarely see any negative behaviour by patrons, because people are inherently good natured.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Placing restrictions on venues will not solve the problem. It is only treating a symptom, not a cause. Violence is caused by violent behaviours, not alcohol. Educational campaigns like "one punch can kill" and anti domestic violence campaigns are proven to be the most effective. To change a culture you must educate them. For the very minor percentage of the population with violent behaviours, I suggest being more harsh on their behaviour and then focusing on their specific education (on top of the mass campaigns) will help. Early lockouts will just

shift the problem elsewhere, whilst severely financially impacting our venues, musicians, the community, and government tax revenue.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Earlier lockouts will likely result in my revenue from performing reduce by at least 25%, through less booked dates and reduced pay rates with increased competition for the reduced entertainment market. The quality of my families life will reduce. Our ailing economy will suffer at a point where our state needs more activity, not less.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I act responsibly when I drink alcohol and I am offended by what is a punishment for the greater community of law abiding citizens. Police the unacceptably violent minority.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

We will see venues close for this at a time when we need more jobs, not less.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is a very hypocritical stance. Poker machines contribute to more negative community outcomes, yet they are encouraged.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines are designed to be addictive and create poverty. Live music causes entirely positive outcomes.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Education, Education, Education. Strong outcomes for violent offenders, then \"real\" rehabilitation.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Rob Stanier  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Townsville, North Queensland and currently work for a nightclub as an entertainer. I have been in this industry for thirty five years, playing in venues throughout the country. I have always managed to earn a full time living from working residencies at local venues. My current position is working as an entertainer at a nightclub in Townsville, a position I have held for fifteen years.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I provide live entertainment in a busy nightclub, and my role is to provide an alternative to patrons from the DJ music that is played in other areas of the nightclub.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have been working in the Flinders Street precinct for the past fifteen years and the experience has been always positive. Patrons are generally very happy with the atmosphere our venue provides, and this makes for a positive experience for everyone involved.

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I do not agree with the proposals. I feel that there are a minority of people who behave inappropriately, and the changes are punishing the majority of people who do behave appropriately. Plus, there are no guarantees that it is alcohol alone that fuels this bad behaviour.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

My job as an entertainer is reliant on the venue having patrons. If the patrons don't come to the venue, the venue would see no value in me performing to an empty room. I would therefore lose my livelihood - a livelihood that has kept me in employment at local venues around the country for the past thirty five years.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

N/a

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I think these changes would have a terrible effect on the area that I work. I believe the hospitality industry, due to losses in trading, cutbacks in hours and possible closures due to this legislation, would become negative, which is completely counter to what the industry is. I would foresee unhappy workers worrying about the state of the industry and the security of their jobs, instead of providing a positive experience for their patrons

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

It makes me angry that the Government would try to please the public by placing pressure - with this proposed legislation - on venues that promote social activity, whilst allowing the two biggest sources of its income from this area to trade as normal.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

It's a no brainer. Venues that sell alcohol and have music are a major area where young people learn to interact socially. In my thirty five years working in this industry, I've lost count of the number of people who tell me they used to go regularly to a venue and had met their partner who they eventually married. I've yet to have someone tell me they met and fell in love while playing the pokies. Poker machines are antisocial. Live venues are social.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

We had a situation many years ago where the road toll was escalating and a lot of it was due to drink driving. The government introduced a policy of zero tolerance for drink drivers. It eventually had a positive effect on the whole way we view drinking and driving. I feel that the government should approach antisocial behaviour in the same way. A complete zero tolerance policy with no exceptions. If you fight in public, you go to jail, no exceptions. If you're caught with drugs on you at a venue, you go to jail, no exceptions. As well as not victimising the majority of people who behave well, a policy like this would make those same people, over time, feel safer which would result in an even more positive hospitality industry.

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Q: Any other comments?

I commend the government for trying to do something about violence in our society. But I believe that the way they are going about it is wrong, and their proposal only addresses a small area of the overall problem, at the expense putting undue pressure on an industry that is committed to providing a safe environment for people to interact socially.

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Submission by:  
Name: Richard Bradford  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Phoenix bar and nightclub airie beach

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Provide a good safe fun night for patrons both domestic and international

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's a fun safe environment and keeps  
People in jobs and helps with the local economy

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* New bottle shops to close at 10pm, all existing to close at 12am  
\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

I think changing the law is a massive mistake and the exemption for casinos is very unfair and is slightly  
suspicious. It will be a big mistake that will close businesses and create unemployment

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in  
less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Less work less money less tax paid to the government

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It would make a difficult industry even more difficult and  
People will no doubt stay at home  
And have house parties and cause problems in he suburbs

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Businesses will  
Close unemployment will rise it\'s a lose lose situation

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

It\'s all very unfair and the should not be allowed to be passed

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

It\'s takes people away from the gambling culture

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Education of alcohol, people who cause the trouble while  
Under the influence have to go to workshops to learn about alcohol and its abuse before they are allowed back in licensed premises. Drug abusers have to go to drug council long workshops do the same for the violent minority.

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Q: Any other comments?

I really think changing the laws will be a mistake and knowing the government as soon as this apparent, to save face they will  
Not revert it. Look at the options. If they change the drinking times, the drinking culture will change and will  
Either end up on their  
Own streets drunk or everyone will be on the street at the same time, rather than have the 2 hours of dribs  
And drabs of people making it easier to disperse them

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Submission by:  
Name: Lauren Clarke  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane and Rockhampton

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Hospitality/Venue Management

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* Pokies allowed to continue to operate after last drinks  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Ben Silver  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Lived in Queensland for 20 years. Work in Aspley but play in city/valley

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Im a concerned patron who wants freedom for bars

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Ive met some of my best friends out at night and have had many celebrations into the night

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

This is a disaster!

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Queensland is becoming one of the biggest social hubs and you will cripple future venue owners as well as current ones

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

The night out wouldnt be the same knowing it won't last as long as i want it to. I have family that visit from afar

that wont be able to spend as much time celebrating

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Many jobs and business going under or becoming unprofitable

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Again, a disaster

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Genai Devenna  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from townsville, and my friends and I all enjoy a night out on Flinders Street bars and clubs.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I add to the business

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Making new friends and great memories

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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It should not be changed. I have many friends that are in this industry and rely on this for bills etc. and they are at risk of losing their jobs and income.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

A night out in town would be cut short, losing profit for businesses. Also a lot of people do not go out until around 12am, so it would be harder for everyone to catch up and have fun.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?



It won't be a fun and fulfilling night if it is cut short.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I believe all that is mentioned in this question would have a negative impact on Townsville.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

So you are cutting some only incomes for people (local bands, DJs etc.) but keeping poker machines open to fuel gambling addictions?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

There is a casino in Townsville, if people wanted to gamble they can go there. No need to waste money on more machines when Townsville already has enough.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

How is going out to a public venue anti-social?

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Q: Any other comments?

Parliament needs to focus on more pressing matters, like using solar to power whole cities. The Earth is deteriorating rapidly and somehow it still is not the first priority.

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Submission by:  
Name: Jonathan Richard  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane and we need our night life

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Spend a lot of money in the different bars and clubs every 2 weeks of the month. Never had a fight or any issues with staff people. Just dance and drinks with friends

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Sally matthews  
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Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Kangaroo Point and have been going out religiously for the last 6 years with friends. I have seen very few fights and have never myself been in any kind of trouble except a hangover the next day. This idea is ridiculous and I loved in Newcastle when they did this, it absolutely killed the vibe!

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

I have worked in the industry

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I spend hundreds and hundreds of dollars a year on socialising. If they kill the freedom of going out then I'll take my money to Melbourne!

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

In the last 6 years I have been out consistently almost every 2nd weekend in the city and or valley. I can recall seeing 4 fights in that time and that was valley fiesta, Easter, Christmas and Anzac Day- a time when people who don't normally go it drinking - go out and get blind with no respect. This is where the trouble is, not with the people who go OT every weekend who are the ones that will impacted the most other then the employees.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
\* Pokies allowed to continue to operate after last drinks  
\* New bottle shops to close at 10pm, all existing to close at 12am  
\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

Shit!

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I'd move to Melbourne and take my annual income with me.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Banning certain drinks after a certain time wouldn't be a massive impact but they shouldn't be banned altogether.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Job losses for people studying or working in the industry, drunk people pushed out onto the street in masses, just as many fights and more house parties.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Madolyn Gabiola  
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Phone:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Townsville, work in retail at Specsavers and enjoy good nights out every weekend with friends. I used to do bartending and I currently have friends and family that work in the hospitality industry who would be greatly affected by this.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's good to wind down with your friends after a long week of working. Drinking and dancing brings joy to everyone!

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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These new laws will most likely do more harm than good. People will rely more on drugs to have a good time and will get more drunk from home before coming out.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I have friends in the industry who do this kind of work at their passion and it would be extremely heartbreaking to see them affected.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It won't make it a calmer environment - it will simply have people relying on drugs, smuggling flasks into pubs and getting more drunk at home before coming out.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes, all of the above!

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Simply unfair.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Increase of security/bouncers at venues - this would make more jobs and keep places safer! Be stricter on who's allowed into pubs and who isn't.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Craig Upton  
Email:  
Phone:  
Postcode:

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Fortitude Valley

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

We enjoy going out and find ourselves enjoying peak time after a dinner night which is between the hours of midnight and 5am. Never had any problems with the other people or venues.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

As above. Always have awesome times and never experienced any problems.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Total joke and uncalled for. Labor is never going to get my vote.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

We won't be going out. Private parties instead.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It's all alcohol isn't it! No bans needed.



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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Clubs Pubs Venues will close and jobs lost.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Casinos should be included and not able to operate 24 hours.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines should be banned.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Education. We're Adults now 40+ and don't have problems. Some younger people do. Shows our education system is not working.

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Q: Any other comments?

Put more time and funds into education instead of prohibition.

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

emigrated from england over 5 years ago. i work during the day in the travel industry and at night time as a dj in the bars and clubs in airlie

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

i host the boat after partys, dj for the party goers and was once a bar manager in town where i worked in 4 bars/clubs

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

airlie beach is such a friendly town, with people from all over the world visiting the whitsunday islands. every night is friday night here, the town is always buzzing.  
different cultures and people mix together everynight and all have a fantastic time.  
i have worked in similar environments in ayia napa and ibiza where drink related violence was a major problem... there isnt any issue here as the town is so well policed which is another reason i have stayed here for so long

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- \* New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
- \* In precincts, 1am Lockout & 3am Last Drinks (effectively closing time) instead of 3am Lockout & 5am Close
- \* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
- \* Pokies allowed to continue to operate after last drinks
- \* New bottle shops to close at 10pm, all existing to close at 12am
- \* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

ridiculous... for a start it will encourage binge drinking.  
this town is a holiday destination for people from all over the world, not just australians... its known as a social town with boat trips hosting after partys every single day. people come here to have fun! if you make the closing times earlier, people will just start drinking earlier... its not solving anything! its just going to make us hard working people loose money from working less hours!  
why are we promoting gambling opening casinos 24hours a day and looser reigns for pokies??? its stupid!!

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

working as a dj means i work in the bars and clubs... if i finish early i always go and have a few drinks with my friends. closing at 2 will stop me from doing that  
i will most definately lose money as we normally work on 2/3 hour shifts, meaning i will change over to another dj after those hours in order to keep the club \'fresh\  
closing earlyt will stop the shift work and limit it to one dj a night therefore cutting my hours

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

i only drink vodka. drinking beer makes me fat and hangovers worse, not only that i limit the amount of sugar in my diet. not only will effect my social drinking experience it will also effect my health

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

it would completely ruin the town. the sense of fun this place has now is unreal, changing these laws would ruin everything. businesses will have to close, i know this first hand as the the ex manager of evolution, we were massively affected by the road works 3 weeks ago, we had to close and the owner filed for bankruptcy! that was due to fences outside the front door and all along the mainstreet... basically scaring tourists away. lockout laws will change the party feel this town has and i think would stop people coming.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

i dont understand it... why would we change places designed for fun, dancing and singing into gambling establishments?? stupid!!

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

nightclubs and bars are social environments... gambling addiction is a serious problem!

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

i think the id scanners would work here. anyone with bans for anti social behavior in other towns or even this town would be flagged before they got into establishments.i think most clubs and bars would happily pay for the installations of these themselves if it meant the lockout laws would be thrown out.  
stop the idiots going to the nightclubs will eradicate alcohol related violence... everyone should be on a one strike policy with club/bar bans. if people act up they should be given minimum 3 month bans from all bars and a fine... they will quickly learn how to behave!!

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Adam Howard](#)  
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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane and work security in the Valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Crowd Controller/Head of Security

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I work as a Licensed Crowd Controller and Security Officer in the Valley and have not seen a fight at my Bar since I commenced work there over 3 months ago. In over 20 years of doing Crowd Control in Licensed venues I have noticed a dramatic decrease in violence in Licensed venues.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

This policy is wrong and does not address the issues but rather favours Casinos that are a huge source of Govt revenue through taxation on Gambling. This is an anti competition policy and should be investigated by the ACCC.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I would lose hours of work that I require to support myself and my family.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

This would affect trade within the bar/s at which I work and would lead do less hours of loss of employment.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I see many bars/clubs closing as has occurred in Sydney. These laws do nothing but hurt business and employment. This has been proven in Sydney and was repealed in Melbourne.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is a clear bias towards casinos and does not address the issues of violence within the casinos not accurately reflects the statistical data.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

This is an impingement on my personal rights to socialise and enjoy my time when, where and how I choose. I do not want nor agree with these laws.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Better access to public transport (24 hours on weekends). Better training for Crowd Controllers in negotiation skills. All other policing and stakeholder engagement plans are working.

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Q: Any other comments?

These laws are not representative of the people of Qld and have no foundation in fact. These must not be passed.

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**From:** [Liam Cassidy](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Liam Cassidy  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Brisbane and work at 6s and 7s on James street in the valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I'm a student living out of home and rely on my casual income working at a bar on James St in Fortitude Valley. I enjoy working as a bartender and to have to find another like of work -even if I could -to put myself through the remaining 5 years on university study.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I love meeting new and interesting people and enjoy playing a role in letting people let their hair down and have a good time.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I love to get a drink with my hospitality colleagues in the surrounding venues after we all finish work at 2am on weekends. It is enjoying to throw some banter and swap stories from our week. With earlier lock-out laws, I'm afraid I would lose some of these friendships as we would be unable to catch up weekly.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Absolutely. It appears to punish most people who visit bars in the Valley area because of the actions of the smallest minority who go to bars and clubs to brawl and make a nuisance of themselves.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I would lose hours and may have to change my line of work -presuming that I could find another line of work to begin with.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Absolutely.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**Subject:** Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015  
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Submission by:  
Name: Jordan Dart  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Townsville and frequent many of the local clubs/pubs as I have worked for most of them.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Security Officer (Retired)

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

When employed as a Security Officer my role was to ensure the safety of patrons and create an atmosphere in which they felt safe. This led to clubs being full of happy people, having fun and spending money. My wages would then be spent at local establishments and shops. As a patron my friends and I will often spend upwards of a hundred dollars each.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

As a naturally, night time person clubs and pubs provide me with a place I can go and socialize during the hours I am awake and enjoy myself. Further more virtually every friend that I have are people who I met through the industry including a fellow Security Officer who has just recently asked me to be godfather to his sons.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Lockout laws do not work, they have never worked and will never work. The problem of binge drinking and violence is an issue that runs deep in our society, it will require a solution a bit more involved than simply closing clubs earlier. The earlier clubs/pubs close the earlier people will start drinking, if their aim is to drink shots and straight spirits they will drink as much as they possibly can before the can't be purchased any more. The proposed changes will literally have the exact opposite effect of their intention.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in

less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

The proposed lockout laws will see many of my friends lose their only source of income, it is taking hundreds of dollars out of the pocket of hard workers with families to support. Here in Townsville we already have the highest unemployment rate in the state, these changes will add to that burden and crush our already damaged economy. With the unemployment rates the hospitality industry has already taken a massive hit, I saw my hours more than halve when I was still in the security industry and things have only got worse since I retired from it. Further more I am an adult, a grown man, if I want to have a shot or a cocktail after midnight it is my right to do so, these proposal border dangerously close to prohibition.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Many people only like certain drinks and many smaller clubs/pubs make the bulk of their customer base from them. These proposals will see many cocktail lounges put out of business.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

These changes would as I have mentioned already put many people and clubs/pubs out of business. Further more it will see the violence and binge drinking shifted away from a centralized, controlled environment and into the suburban areas with house parties becoming the norm. We are already witnessing this and the damage that it does. Clubs/pubs have guards and staff all adhering to the RSA providing a safe, monitored, policed environment where as there is no responsible supervision in someone back yard.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Poker machines are already under fire for the harm that they can cause, that many venues will be aloud to run them unrestricted while others won't be able to serve drinks and cut off those who have had to much is simply ridiculous.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

There is little to no community benefit from poker machines where as live music and events not only provide a healthy social interaction between people in an enjoyable environment but also provides employment and exposure for local artists.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

The way to deal with the anti-social behaviour is make it very clear to the public that it will not be tolerated. Start with public awareness campaigns shaming violent behaviour and teaching/encouraging more mature methods of handling confrontations. The police need to be provided with more move along powers as well as the ability to ban repeat offenders from DSPs. The biggest problem I had during my time in security is aggressive patrons who were free to hurl abuse and threats at club staff then head to another venue. Anyone who responds to an entry refusal with aggressive behaviour and comments should be issued a move along and kicked barred entry to venues for the night while repeat offenders should be issued bans and fines. Patrons that are evicted should be immediately banned entry to all other venues and issued with move along. Violent offenders need to face harsh punishments, the law needs to take a zero tolerance approach to send a clear message to the type of patron that goes out looking for a fight that their behaviour will see them being jailed.

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Q: Any other comments?

As previously stated this issue will require more than simply closing places earlier. It is a societal/cultural issue that will require time, patience, money and co-operation between law, government and the industry. Lockouts and drink restrictions feel like they are just a lazy, cheap solution conjured up by those with no experience or care for the real issue. It feels like a quick, band aid measure designed to appear as though the government is doing something with out actually doing anything. The changes simply address the symptoms and not the cause and thus will fail. They will do far more harm to the industry and the economy than any good. I spent nearly a decade working the front door of 3/4 of the nightclubs in Townsville, I have had my face glued back together, partially tore two tendons in my shoulder twice and nearly lost a finger to a crush injury. I have seen my friends stabbed, glassed and bottled, I have even held a man's skull together after he was coward punched. I know first hand just how bad the alcohol fuelled violence in our society so believe me when I say that these proposed lockout laws are a horrible, horrible idea.

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**From:** [Luis Bond](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Luis Bond  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Brisbane, Managed Hospitality Venues for 7 years from 2000!

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Business Consulting

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Promote & Market Hospitality Venues and Support Industry Events

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Building relationships with business owners and making friends and socialising with many people

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

I believe that the government is supporting their own agenda's & from past experience whe clubs had extended trading, my experience cra have always been the same and believe the statistics are rubbish

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Yea, social life would be effected, but jobs would be lost with less revenue generated and businesses needing to cut costs

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Less sales & people with quality tastes would look elsewhere and it would effect specially themed venues like Whisky bars

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes, I foresee all the above. But I also foresee more trouble and social issues arising from the Mae new proposed laws

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I feel that this is part of the governments agenda to be more concerned with their revenue streams rather than Qld businesses

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines and gambling venues are antisocial venues and activities that negatively impact people's lives destroy families due to gambling addictions. Clubs and other venues are pro-social and do not destroy lives

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would actually consult industry professionals and get them to help with legislation and ideas to reduce social issues

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Q: Any other comments?

How many people are negatively effected, lives destroyed, lives lost from gambling as opposed to alcohol fueled violence?

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**From:** [Steve Flynn](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Steve Flynn  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am a Townsville local and have been for 52 years.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I currently am the owner operator of Flynnns Irish Bar in Flinders Street.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It is very rewarding to see people having a fun night out ,singing dancing and generally have a FUN TIME.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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The governments proposed new trading hours are a joke.This has nothing to do with alcohol fuelled violence.VIOLENT PEOPLE ARE VIOLENT REGARDLESS OF ALCOHOL.  
A lock out does not work and has been proven not to work,it is a means of sending all revellers to the largest venue in the area,thus contributing a mass exit to the streets at closing time.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I believe that after 15 years in the late night trade that a 3 am close and no lockout is the obvious solution.I have found trade after 3 am deteriorates rapidly.The idea of a 1 am lockout will only drive the party society into the suburbs,where drugs and alcohol will be consumed at an rapid and uncontrolled rate.This will effect the whole community as p[olice will not have the resources to control these FACEBOOK parties that will pop up in your

neighbour hood,maybe your kids will be at these parties,as there will be NO NIGHTLIFE left in the cities.Then what is the solution.The liquor industry is highly regulated,staff are well trained,Security are a condition of all late licenses and we deal with these issues on a daily basis.Your neighbour may not be trained to cope with a out of control party.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Staff are all trained in RSA.Is that not the reason we do an RSA course ,so that we can monitor people who may have had too much to drink?If i finish work at 1 am,why should i not be allowed to order a nice malt whiskey on the rocks??Of course if a am lockout was imposed,I could not even go to my favourite venue and order me drink of choice.I would have to go to the boring Casino and watch the elderly siphon away their pension cheques through the poker machines.WOW.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Live music will be one of the major losses with the new proposed laws,as many small to medium venues will not survive.A lock out will only draw punters to the larger disco type venues.I certainly dont think FLYNNNS IRISH BAR will survive these new proposed laws.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

It seems like we are heading down the path of Poker machine madness.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

We are certainly in the age of technology and if not carefull we will have a society of people with no people skills.Already it is easier to text someone rather than ring them.Poker machines do the same thing ,they eliminate the need to communicate with each other.No personal interaction whatsoever.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Anti -social behaviour needs to be installed in our children from a much earlier stage and enforced throughout school.Much more drug education in schools.We are yet to see what long term effects the ICE EPIDEMIC will have on our future parents,leaders etc.There needs to be a much higher responsibility on your own actions.Current fines and penalties are not a deterrent in any way.If you are banned from a drink safe precinct,you simply go to a suburban pub and away you go again.

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Q: Any other comments?

Look through the trees for the forest.

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Submission by:  
Name: Wade Meechan  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Brisbane , a local musician

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I create something unique and original for Brisbane as a city, a drawing point for a certain part of the population is live music and its availability.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Live music is what makes a city interesting and is a massive attraction for tourists

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think it will cripple the industry and is a pointless answer to a wrong question. U won't stop violence by setting these laws you will only make things worse. Violence happens outside of venues, kicking people out of places where there is security and placing them on the street where there is none won't stop violence it will only place people in a more dangerous environment.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It will dramatically affect the way I make a living as live music is usually a pre head out event before you go clubbing etc , so shortening the time will make less patrons attend gigs as there time is now limited.



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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Same as above

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

It's just a bad idea , too many worrying aspects to mention and it's easy to see it is the wrong answer.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

What type of precedent are we setting for young people where you can drink all u want while you gamble but dancing , live music or socialising is regarded as more dangerous , not a good example for the youth

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

No benefit at all in poker machines. Too many benefits too name for night scene

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Large penalties for violence and implement some kind of education in the schools on violence. Similar to sex ed

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Q: Any other comments?

Wake up and live in the real world who ever is proposing these laws , any fool can see it is not the right direction. The thing about intelligence is its not frowned upon to stop and change direction once you have realised you have made a mistake. One look at Sydney and you can see that it is .... A mistake.

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**From:** [Jade Hyam](#)  
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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm 26, from Brisbane, work as an accountant in Milton and regularly frequent entertainment precincts in inner city Brisbane such as the Valley, Paddington, the City, West End & South Brisbane.

I love to see live bands in West End, and I love to see DJs in clubs in the Valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I'm a consumer, so I provide income to the many small business owners, bands, DJs, artists, bartenders, taxi drivers, cleaners, cooks, the list goes on.....these new laws will seriously impact the employment and lives of all of these people and so many more.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have made many, many friends through nightlife. Nightlife is how I separate my hectic work life, from my real life. My musical taste has evolved with my nightlife outings over the years. I love to support local bands, DJs and artists by going to gigs. I have met many an artist in the early hours of the morning, because I hung around after 2am!!

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* In precincts, 1am Lockout & 3am Last Drinks (effectively closing time) instead of 3am Lockout & 5am Close  
\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
\* Pokies allowed to continue to operate after last drinks  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

I think it's absolutely disgusting that the government is happy to keep pokies and casinos open with NO CHANGES WHATSOEVER whereas small business owners who provide entertainment which contributes to our city's culture will suffer HUGELY.  
Absolutely disgraceful that QLD government would be more interested in keeping its citizens gambling (which has horrible effects on gamblers and their families lives).

Shameful part of QLD history of this goes through.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Definitely will negatively affect my social life.

I am worried that bands/DJs/international artists may see this earlier closing time and restrictions on drink purchases in a very negative light and not see Brisbane as a very attractive destination to play anymore. Headline DJ acts often won't start playing until 1 or 2am and if they are kicked out an hour after their set starts, they won't make as much money, therefore won't bother coming.

I am really worried this will affect the quality of our entertainment and our culture. We have worked for so many years to create a nightlife and a going out culture in Brisbane (formerly a sleepy big country town ridiculed by other states and cities). Please don't turn us into a nanny state and go backwards on all that we have created.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

If I am not already intoxicated, and I have the cash to afford a martini, I should be able to get a martini at whatever hour I choose. The government should dictate what I can and can't drink at what time. It is draconian - stinks of fascism.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Of course businesses will close!! Small business owners will not be able to get by if trading is decreased for 2 - 4 hours during their peak business team.

Musicians will have far less opportunities to play gigs.

Vibrancy of inner city precincts will definitely be diminished - we will be a ghost town if these laws get through. We will also be a laughing stock. So embarrassing. If this goes through, I've already decided I'm moving to Melbourne. At least they can still party to their hearts content - without hurting anyone, while contributing to local economy and culture.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is disgusting. It's a total embarrassment. It's like America's gun laws. Totally stupid. Whichever dinosaur invented these new rules has obviously never had fun or had a drink in their life. The government have become the party police determined to impinge on youth culture's right to enjoy themselves.

The fact that the government would rather keep pokie machines open so the lower socio-economic class and the elderly can keep gambling away their tiny incomes (only making their lives worse) is a crying shame. I am so embarrassed that our government want to keep taking advantage of the poor old gambling addicts who don't have the money to spend, yet they will put restrictions on youth who do have the money to spend and contribute to the economy.

Total embarrassment. As mentioned before, if this goes through, I'll be moving to Melbourne.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

There is no community benefit to poker machines. They only create gambling issues which in turn increases crime rates, creates disjointed families, contributes to domestic violence and is overall just a really really sad way to live your life. I feel so sorry for the elderly and the obviously unemployed bunches of people I see in pokies rooms. They're putting all of their money into pokie machines to keep their habit while their kids go starving at home.

So the government would rather further our states gambling addiction problem, which will in turn increase

health and court costs (from addicts who ruin their lives and turn to crime), than keep clubs open so people can have fun.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

How about not let dickheads into the club in the first place. At the first sign of aggressive behaviour, remove them.

Stop advertising alcohol at sport events. It only further propagates our drinking culture.

Also, kicking people out earlier than you already do (3am lockout) only creates MORE problems on the streets.

Angry guys waiting in ridiculously long (and stupidly expensive) cab lines start fighting after 3am whereas they'd still be inside dancing and having fun with their friends if there was no lockout.

The ideas the government have put into place to make our city safer has and will only make it more dangerous in my opinion.

Before we had lockouts, there were not lines of hundreds of people waiting on Brunswick Street for a cab. The government has created this problem all for themselves.

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Q: Any other comments?

Queensland is fast becoming a very over politicised right wing nanny state. If the government introduce these new laws, we will be a laughing stock. Also, I will be moving to Melbourne if these new laws go through. I would be too ashamed to continue to live in a city where politicians rule what I can and can't drink at what time. That's fascism. We live in a democratic society - I have a brain and I have money, therefore I should be able to do what I want at whatever time with it.

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in the northern suburbs of Brisbane. I come into the city and Fortitude Valley for dinners and catch up with friends

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I go out to dinner on average twice a week and like to be able to take associates and clients to nice clubs. I feel these lock out times are just not practical.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have not come across any violence fortunately, this may be due to the places I frequent. I feel these lock out laws would greatly affect the atmosphere and Brisbane as a tourist destination for it's nightlife? It will greatly affect business in the trading districts of CBD and Fortitude Valley. I think it is highly unfair that the Casino does not have to apply to these new laws (I imagine because of the revenue this generates for the government!) It will have a negative impact on small business and jobs.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I am opposed to this law as I mentioned in the above question it will greatly affect tourism and the promotion of Brisbane as a lively thriving nightlife. I think you need to address the issue head on by imposing laws on the actual offenders of this behavior and punish these thugs rather than punishing businesses. I guess it is easier to push this sort of law rather than put money into stopping these offenders by tougher penalties. I think it is a band aid solution and don't think this will work at all.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would result in loss of freedoms which I already find enough of in Brisbane (we are the nanny state after all) I feel like you have taken our choices away and the dictatorship of this law I find offensive. It would result in less work for my children in this industry, which they struggle with as it is with uni and trying to get as many hours in as possible for extra money to help put them through uni and the outrageous fees of this institution but that is for another day.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I foresee business closing and job losses most definitely. I think most definitely the vibrancy of the CBD and Valley will change, especially when we are trying to compete with Vic and NSW which are heads and tails above us in the entertainment, hospitality world. We are just taking a step backwards as far as tourism is concerned.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think this is highly unfair!

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I think Poker machines pose more of an issue and a problem in society with addiction, family breakdowns, homelessness etc than alcohol does. Once again I find myself being cynical and thinking these issues are not a problem with the government because they are making money from the Casino and from Poker machines. I find this very dubious indeed.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would tackle this issue head on. Looking at the statistics, these laws have been proven not to work! Instead of punishing small business, employees, musicians, DJ's etc. You need to tackle the issue of youth violence. Implement programs that will interest youths. Go out to these areas where youth violence is an issue and find out from them and their families what can be done? I just don't think you have looked into the issue deep enough, once again a band aid solution, which does not work according to the statistics. So time to think of other ideas from the grass routes of the issues. Implement programs in schools. But of course all of this costs the government money so I'm quite sure you would rather punish small business than spend money on programs to aid youth sadly.

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Q: Any other comments?

Please rethink this position. Look at your statistics and be realistic and realize this is not the answer. I implore you to find the answer in tackling the situation head on with youth violence, and one punch kills campaigns. I don't think advertising is the way to reach this demographic. Surely with all of the intelligent people in parliament someone has to have some sort of ideas?

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Restaurant Business owner and musician. West End, South brisbane, Cbd and Fortitude Valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Dj, musician and food truck owner.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Good trade, people enjoying themselves. Pushing boundaries in entertainment. Innovation.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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It's a direct threat on small business and a potential further hazard in localising the tension into a specific period ie less time to drink promoting binge drinking, lock out places people directly onto the streets at the same time causing more chances for violence.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Less work, less hours. Less ways and time to release work tension.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?



It wouldn't.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I think it will have statewide affects on an already strained economy. Opportunities will grow fewer and definitely could lead to further domestic social issues.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Completely out ragged!! It marginalisation, why take away something that works as a positive outlet for a person and replace that with an anti social solution, we're humans not puppets.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

It doesn't compare, I lived on top of a hotel at one stage in my life and walk through the gaming room on my way to work to see the same faces having there pensions stolen from them on a daily basis and most could not even hold a decent conversation, they were zombies!

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Tighter laws on responsible service of alcohol for sure. It's a cultural issue so let's take a look at cultures outside our own for example Melbourne, provision of food and entertainment other than trashy fast food. Also look at what we promote in mainstream media to our children it's a social issue that stems back to our upbringing.

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Q: Any other comments?

Take a look at our sports culture, what does rugby league promote?

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane sth, Qld gov, play in the valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I can go out have a great time and few drinks without getting into trouble.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Brisbane has awesome night life,

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Ridiculous, stop being a nanny state , and let people be responsible for their actions,

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Kill the night life.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Alot, i can't get a drink after midnight in a capital city because of idiots.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

The nightlife will die of course it will.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Lol, its funny how the gov can still get taxes from pokiest

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

No one benefits from pokies

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Be tougher on people who do it

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Q: Any other comments?

Don't takeway our right to go out and have fun .

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I spent many years in Melbourne and I moved to Townsville 2 years ago. I am currently employed by the Mad Cow Tavern.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am the Bar Manager at the Mad Cow Tavern Townsville. My role ensures that all staff are completing their jobs correctly and having fun whilst doing so. This includes ensuring proper RSA procedures are in place, ensuring both patrons and staff feel safe on a night out and ensuring everyone is having a great time.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It is the best industry I have worked in. It's great working in an fast paced environment that people actually want to be at. For example, people don't want to go to a grocery store (I spent 5 years as a service cashier, it was horrible), people want to come play and dance at the bar, which makes it a much nicer place to work.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think that these plans are ridiculous.

Money should be spent on better ways to prevent incidents from occurring. For example, if you play up one time in any venue then you should be banned from all surrounding venues for a minimum on 6months. This can be monitored by having id scanners at every venue. As soon as that id is scanned it will alert security to refuse entry.

Having these early closes are just going to push the problems elsewhere. House parties and public drinking are going to spike. It makes alot more sense to keep all these people in the one area where the resources needed (QPS, liquor licensing, health services) are all on close standby to immediately diffuse negative situations

caused by a select few trouble makers.

The government should be thinking of better ways to deal with the situation instead of taking jobs away from hard working people.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would reduce the hours I would get to work.

It would also significantly reduce the profit the business I work for gets every week.

Not only will I be losing hours due to early closure, but the budgets for wages will reduce, therefore reducing my hours further.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

This is the only part of the proposed changes that I agree with. Shooters, doubles, bombs, cocktails and straight spirits on the rocks only increase the rate at which the patrons consume alcohol.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Already struggling pubs and nightclubs will close. Jobs will definitely be lost and less hours available to hard working staff.

I would have to relocate to Melbourne as I need my job to complete my masters in science and university

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think rules should be the same across all venues.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines suck the life out of some people. Gambling destroys families and destroys people's lives.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

ID scanners on all venue doors. If you play up once in a venue then you get banned from all surrounding venues and the scanner will point this out.

Stricter penalties for patrons causing majority of these issues.

Venues need to be harsher on their staff. If you sell a drink to an intoxicated/unduly intoxicated person it should be instant dismissal.

Venues need to complete up to date training with staff on the importance of their RSA.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Townsville

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Regular night clubber

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I've met some great friends and always have a great night and feel safe

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

These laws are just going to push party goers into the suburbs or out onto the streets when they're at their peak alcohol levels

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Loss of freedoms

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

N/a

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I see clubs closing, resulting in people losing their jobs and flinders street east becoming a ghost town

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Absolutely ridiculous!! Instead of listening to good music and having a great time people will be playing pokies and fuelling another addiction

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Attending night clubs is definitely more social and better for people than throwing their money into the pokies

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

More police presence on the streets. Tougher fines for violent offenders

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Hayden Clelland](#)  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from townsville, I play at Heritage Exchange, Cactus Saloon, Seaview Hotel, Flinders Social, Full Moon Down Unde

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

My role is to provide a fun and upbeat atmosphere to the venues and make sure people have a good time

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Coming to work on a weekend and having the time of my life rather than counting the minutes until I can clock off is a delight. The people I work with and meet make this job the best thing that has happened to me

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* In precincts, 1am Lockout & 3am Last Drinks (effectively closing time) instead of 3am Lockout & 5am Close  
\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
\* Pokies allowed to continue to operate after last drinks  
\* New bottle shops to close at 10pm, all existing to close at 12am  
\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

These proposals are going to straight up kill the nightlife in the city. Take the violence out of the nightlife by addressing the violence, not the nightlife. Increased punishments to physical violence will keep fists in pockets, not reduces trading hours.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would affect the overall business of venues, as seen by the lockout laws in Sydney, many amazing night clubs have been forced to close and that results in less jobs and more competition for people like me. Takes the fun right out of DJing and makes it a cutthroat competition just to play at a struggling venue.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

No shots after 12 is not a bad idea. Shots get you drunk very fast. Cocktails after 12 is however a bad idea, no one guzzles down a cocktail, they drink them slowly.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

If this all happens, the townsville night life will be destroyed. And only a 1 successful club will be left standing for the whole of townsville to share. There will be no variety of atmosphere (lounge bars, dance clubs, rnb clubs etc)

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Poker machines don't attract the youth aswell as drinks and good music does.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines are just an antisocial way to potentially win money. Drinking, dancing and talking to people in a nightlife venue buds friendships and even romance. There are countless stories of people meeting their husbands/wives at a nightclub/bar. You don't meet people from staring at a screen and pressing buttons to try and win \$20

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Increase punishment for physical violence, (increased fines, jail time got repeat offenders). A one punch ban rule was put into place at the JCU uni club, and was incredibly effective at reducing alcohol related violence.

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Q: Any other comments?

Please don't ruin what is best of few social activities townsville and the rest of Queensland has to offer. No point destroying jobs and shooting your economy in the foot when there are easier ways around it that don't do that. Think smart, not harsh.

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am a co-owner and full time employee of two licensed venues in Fortitude Valley - GPO and The MET Brisbane.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Events & Marketing

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work alongside my husband and business partners to put on unique and memorable events for young people in Brisbane. These events are heavily regulated by associated governing bodies and provide a safe night out for members of the public.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have been a patron and employee of the night-time economy for quite some time now. I often see the majority of people safely enjoying their night out week in-week out. My positive experiences always come from the operators of these venues, every place I frequent (other than my own venues) always offer a safe and fun place to go out and see the various artists and performers that come to Brisbane to play.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think the fact that these points above will drive the patrons back home to the suburbs to party will hugely affect emergency services. It will spread out the unregulated partying which will affect quite suburban neighbourhoods and in turn, see Police, Ambulance etc traveling out to the suburbs to control young people partying. Why would we not focus on the Emergency Services staying within a controlled, safe night out precinct? I know that I wouldn't want my elderly parents to feel unsafe in their own homes because there are underground parties happening in their suburb. My husband works weekends in our venues and I am alone at home with two children. I would feel very unsafe and would definitely ring the police if I was concerned about

young people drinking and partying in the early hours of the morning around my suburb and as a result my children or I felt unsafe.

The other issue I have is that Casinos are exempt from these laws. Ultimately, this means they can go into a Casino and gamble or go home to party. I can't decide which one is scarier - what type of gambling (addiction) statistics will our country see in the future in the younger generations when they can go into a Casino and have a flutter on the pokies and enjoy the nightlife that is there' as Yvette D'Art so gracefully put it? As a young woman who has seen gambling first hand, this makes me sick to think the Government think it will not become a problem by allowing this exemption.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

The wind back in hours would definitely adversely affect our business. We will not be able to afford to bring high quality, international and national performers and DJs to the venues as it will not be financially viable with the limited hours we would see patrons in the venue. It would affect my social life if I could not go out to dinner and have a nip of a premium spirit (such as a Baileys on ice) afterwards in a nice venue. My husband may not be able to have a scotch after going out to dinner in the Valley with friends. That isn't everything but it would negatively affect our night time experience.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

As I mentioned above, there are a number of members of the public 30 - 40 + that enjoy going for a premium spirit (baileys, scotch, whisky etc) after dinner before heading home. This isn't having a rapid drink by downing a shot, it's sipping on a premium spirit before heading home. Having these drinks banned after 12am will affect us being able to do that.

With regard to our venues, people enjoy being able to have a shot when they are out socialising with friends. Do these need to be available after 2am or 3am - probably not, however when people are arriving at the venues after 11pm (close to 12am) they are starting off their night at the venue with a shot. This will affect the customer experience but I do believe that there are more pressing issues - like the cease of alcohol completely by 3am.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

The wind back in trading hours would affect the 170 odd staff members across our business. We are very proud of the fact that we employ a number of international and university students. This allows them to study and work at the same time. We will definitely need to cut staff if our hours are wound back.

As I mentioned above, the wind back in trading hours would also definitely affect us being able to bring musicians, tours, DJs and artists to the venue because it would just not be financially viable. I think absolutely the vibrancy of the Valley will be lost and tourism will be affected as a whole for Brisbane. Now that there is such negative information and publicity about Sydney's nightlife, Brisbane has an opportunity to capture some of the international travelers that may plan to spend more time/money on experiences in and around Brisbane for this reason.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is absolutely disgusting, please refer above for my thoughts on the Casinos being exempt from the laws in discussion.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and

community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

It doesn't. Young people benefit from having social outings like seeing live bands, going to music festivals, seeing an international DJ that is world renowned in a nightclub in Brisbane. Sitting in front of a poker machine is extremely unsocial and leads to a waste of money, gambling problems, child neglect, relationship breakdowns. Surely everyone can see that young people would benefit from buying a ticket to see a live band or DJ with friends, then sitting by themselves putting \$50 notes through a poker machine.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would love to see children as young as 13 years old being taught about anti-social behaviour and what it can lead to. On top of that, surely there needs to be tougher sentences on this behaviour.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Max Jonasen  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I enjoy having a sensible night out on the town and believe it is unnecessary for decisions to be made for myself in regards to my safety.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

- fun  
- quiet night out

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am originally from Stanthorpe but have lived in Brisbane for the last 18months. I work at Macquarie bank and when I go out, I like to head to the valley/city to unwind and go out

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I don't work in a bar, but I was hoping to get casual work in a bar seeing as rent is so expensive and I find it hard to survive most of the time. I do go out occasionally to bars and nightclubs

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

In the last 18 months I have been out to nightclubs and bars, and I have not seen one single fight in Brisbane. I rarely see people act indecently, and even the people I've seen that have been drunk, have used their manners at the bars and in line for the bathroom.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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I feel that the government just want to appear to be doing something '\to help\' the facts are, if you take away our chance to go out, people are going to just drink more before hand and end up out of control. I've seen first hand in the country, when you take away the chance to stay at the bar, dancing or whatnot, people get angry that your cutting their fun short, they get bored on the streets and this is where trouble starts. When did we become a country that needed to be constantly babied? I've been overseas many times and been out drinking and not had any issues-I've stayed out till 5 or so a.m. In Europe, I've had shots after 4am in Europe, and look I'm still alive. Australia is supposed to be a developed country, a free country, but these laws are getting ridiculous. We are adults. If we can drive, if we can vote, if we can married, I think we should have rights to drink what we want. These new laws are hampering fun for everyone and not helping anyone. They aren't



helping keep anyone safe-if someone has intent to cause harm they will, sober or otherwise. You can't monitor everyone and their personalities. They are now hurting the industry and will harm those that need the work.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It will result in me not finding a second job. I don't want to be homeless because the government can't find an actual helpful way. My social life will be affected negatively. i don't have a lot of free time, so when I go out, I want to make a whole night of it

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

People go out to enjoy drinks, enjoy the atmosphere and to enjoy dancing. Why would you stop serving alcohol after 12am? I dance better when I have drinks!

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I can see jobs being lost yes. Businesses will lose money. Aren't we trying to keep Australian businesses afloat?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I feel it isn't just.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines are a waste of money. you can't be as social with poker machines. They are more addictive than alcohol. And less interesting than a night out with drinks and friends and dancing

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I feel If you were to leave lockouts, and drinks as they are, but to introduce rules to act as deterrents, like harsher penalties for violence. Making sure that these penalties are seen through and not just there for show. The reason we have all these bans on alcohol and new laws to limit nights out are due to a minority of the population. Changing lockout rules are not going to change personalities. If I was in parliament I would look at why Europe is able to keep patrons happy and safe and why they don't need unneeded lockouts and see what we could learn from them and see why they are so successful

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Thomas Harrison  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Moorooka and work full-time in the city during the week. I am out most weekend evenings attending live music around the metro area. I work hard during the week and like to be out late dancing, having fun with my mates and making the most of my weekend. I am usually out til 5 or 6am consume a lot of alcohol but have never caused any trouble.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

My contribution to the night-time economy is to support vibrant and fun venues that have great live music. I support them by buying drinks at their bars for as long as they are open and buying tickets to gigs. Supporting local and international artists coming to Brisbane is really important to me.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

- Seeing the bands and DJs I love
- Being able to dance and drink alcohol until the sun comes up (which is not taboo in most European countries)
- Meeting wonderful humans and making friends in the early hours of the morning

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
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\* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

I think that the Government's proposals are completely reactive in nature while supported by an extremely poor evidence base. They are a weak end-of-pipe solution to curbing alcohol-fueled violence that are unreasonably onerous on the overwhelming majority of people who just want to drink alcohol, have a good time and don't cause any trouble. Considering the economic impacts, I think the costs to Queensland's economy through lost wages, less tourism, less hospitality jobs, less live music and lower alcohol sales far outweigh the supposed benefits of reducing the already small number of violent incidents in entertainment precincts. They are a

ridiculous restriction on civil liberties in QLD and completely ignore the cultural underpinnings that result in alcohol fueled violence in this country.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would result in me seeing less live music due to (effectively) restricted trading hours and alcohol sales. It would affect my social life and mental health extremely negatively as this is what I do for fun with my friends. Overall it is an unreasonable loss of personal freedom to me and that will have a lot of negative impacts on my life.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Shots after 12am have always been a bad idea but this isn't something government should regulate. It's more something people need to discover for themselves.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes to all of the above suggestions. Particularly for businesses and musicians. It is so unfair to further restrict opportunities for artists and entrepreneurs in this country. Brisbane has a proud music history and being able to play late into the night gets more bands/DJs on stage and getting recognised. Boutique bars and clubs are such a good opportunity being realised in Brisbane. We need to support this economic activity as Brisbane becomes a global city not restrict it.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Some of the biggest hypocrisy in these laws is because of the gambling/casino exceptions. It is completely hypocritical of this government to make a proposal that unreasonably restricts alcohol based on the actions of a minority while the exceptions under the same proposal (and indeed other gambling legislation) protect the right of the majority of responsible gamblers to continue gambling despite the (much higher) cost to society of problem gambling that is perpetrated by a minority.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Personally, I see absolutely no net benefit to the community of playing poker machines. I think they are an evil device made to con people into gambling addiction by exploiting reward pathways in the brain. Importantly this does not mean I believe they should be restricted in operation or number because the problem of gambling addiction is a societal and cultural problem that CANNOT be fixed by restrictions on trading hours or the machines themselves. It is the exact same for alcohol.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

We need policies that target the culture of drinking and violence in Australia, and more specifically, Queensland. Unreasonably restricting civil liberties as seen the the Government's proposal will achieve only short term gains without addressing the root cause of the problem. My solution would be to use targeted social marketing and education to change the culture of drinking in our youth. Over time, to reduce the taboo we place on alcohol consumption and celebration I would be encouraging a RELAXING of alcohol laws. This is so that kids are exposed to alcohol in a responsible and fun way rather than as an evil not to be touched or talked about positively until you are 18. I would concentrate on the importation and use in society of steroids as

the evidence for its increase used in society has been correlated with increase in alcohol-fueled violence. There are numerous studies confirming the efficacy of the above techniques over heavy handed, nanny state policies implemented under the banner of \"public interest\". These policies look like they have had great success in Kings Cross and Newcastle. The success of these initiatives seems to be only been measured in quantitative analysis of reduction in violence but fails to account for the negative effects on the night-time economy and social cohesion. These are particularly local issues so even where they have been considered they are completely irrelevant to the Queensland experience.

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Q: Any other comments?

1. QLD GOVERNMENT - STOP TREATING US LIKE CHILDREN
2. Lockouts are the laziest policy instrument you can implement to deal with this problem. Get some courage, take on the hard part and tackle the real issues underlying alcohol fueled violence.
3. I have twice been the victim of a one hit punch attack on a night out and I still don't support this proposal. I would rather be punched again than see this onerous restriction on our vibrant nightlife come to pass.

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane. Play in fortitude valley

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Susan Tsimouris](#)  
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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Brisbane and work in Fortitude Valley

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work in a club.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Working nights lets me spend the days with my daughter.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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This will simply push people out to the suburbs. People will drink at house parties and private events rather than at venues in the valley.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

With everyone moving out of the city there will not be as many staff required to work nights and some clubs may close altogether.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

RSA is in place to prevent people from becoming too drunk. Enforcing these rules undermines the RSA, entirely.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

People will move out into the suburbs to party. Late night, wandering drunk people will be stumbling through our neighbourhoods. At least in the Valley and City there is already a strong police presence and a short response time.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I don't gamble, so it doesn't bother me.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

This question sounds very sarcastic...

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Enforce RSA a little more. I have noticed staff at several venues, of late, have been serving customers who were unduly intoxicated. More police checks should be made of all these venues, and fines should be applied to staff and venues serving intoxicated patrons.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Nicholas scafid  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from cairns. This change wold destroy an already struggling night life scene

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a bartender

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Terrible

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would cut my hours in half and would stop me going out after work to see my friends

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

The last few night clubs would close and everyone would lose their job

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Casinos already don't have lockout

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Isaac andreou  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Airlie beach. I'm an entertainment agent servicing many North QLD venues

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a middle man between venues and artist management

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I met my partner on the job. We are about to have a baby

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I will loose most of if not all my business

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I will need to go on the dole

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I only have one drink an hour and it's a sambuka shot. I have no time to sip or carry a drink.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Kurt Schulte-Schrepping  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am a security company managing director with 10 years experience. I am based in Toowoomba, but also service venues in Ipswich and the Sunshine Coast.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Security

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

We are the safety net of the night time economy. The first responders. The primary reason people are safe inside licensed venues. My company in particular is responsible for reducing incidents at every venue we work at through significant training programs.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have seen an 85% reduction in arrest in the last 6 years. I have seen a 40% reduction (greater than Newcastle and the Cross) in assaults in the last 3 years since the inception of my company. The night life is safer and more enjoyable than it has ever been.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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The lock out and closing times are plucked out of thin air and have no scientific and evidence based support that can't be shown to be bettered by other systems. For example the Newcastle model is actually the worst performing in NSW between 2008 and 2012.

As above, it has no scientific backing and is lazy policy to appease the vocal minority.

This law, I am not so worried about, as long as it is implemented correctly, but currently it is ambiguous and confusing.

Pokies being allowed to operate after last drinks is a simple cash grab by the government, the harms of gambling addiction are well known.

New bottle shops to close at 10pm is ridiculous if you are allowing others to stay open. Its disadvantaging some business while allowing others to operate, people will simply go to the later opening bottle shops. Prepare to see the incident rate at Casinos to go up. Again what is the evidence behind this? That Casino alcohol causes less trouble than venue alcohol?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I currently employ 70 staff. It would mean I would have to lay off some staff, including 1 of my full time employees with a new baby.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

This would probably benefit our industry as security (again, happy to be shown otherwise).

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I see the main nightclubs shutting down result in 40-50 jobs losses and thousands of dollars of income, increasing the under employment rate. If these laws come into effect, there would be no vibrancy in the night life. It would simply be pokie players and coffees, staring into a void destroying their family lives.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Simply ludicrous, obvious cash grab.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Both have positive impacts for business, although pokies are a scourge that destroy families through gambling addiction far more than a young person drinking. Alcohol is far more policed and sedate thus resulting in long term greater safety for the individual.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I make several presentations a year to high school students. Not about 'not drinking'. But about thinking the drink, I attempt to guide them on how to have a safe night out, rather than abstain from alcohol. I am more than happy to show someone the presentation, I would ensure a strong education base beginning from year 7. This is the only way to change the culture, particularly around young men and violence. Shot gun, knee jerk laws are lazy and do not deal with the root of the problem. Alcohol is not the issue, the sooner a government sees this with some clarity, the better off we will be.

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Q: Any other comments?

I sincerely hope that these words do not fall on deaf ears. I am a 10 year veteran and expert in harm reduction. I simply understand that better solutions are available, if we as a community are committed to putting the effort in.

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

The Vault on Ruthven Toowoomba

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I provide jobs for 30 people per night and a safe place for patrons to relax

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Safe night out works

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think it's all a bad idea  
You will ruin job tourism and entertainment

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Higher fines and penalties id scanners at every very linked in across qld  
Band from 1 and from all

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?



It will slowly kill the night life  
Look at Sydney

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes I think it would kill  
The entertainment sides of it

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Big money big business that facts that casinos can stay open is just corrupt

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Gambling is a deacease

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Larger higher fines

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Q: Any other comments?

Don\'t let this happen

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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Nathan O'Neill  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Timothy Langford  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Airlie Beach, I work at Base Backpackers. Including Down under Bar and Grill & The Shed Bar.  
I fear these lock out laws will further over regulate our already struggling industry.  
Our SNP has reduced alcohol related violence through proactive not draconian means.  
I wish to continue down this path.  
Proactive not reactive.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a bar Manager for two venues.  
I also Dj at 4 venues.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Socializing and being amongst friends.  
I am a long term fan of late night trading.  
My finest years and memories stem from the many positive experiences I have had at these times.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Last drinks and lockouts encourage binge drinking by nature.  
They also will cause friction outside venues and result in frustrated patrons with no where to go.  
Casinos exempt is a joke.  
Banning of RTDs is silly, as the abv is typically lower than a lot of beverages.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Less working hours. Less trading time to make ends meet as a business.  
Not able to enjoy a knock off drink when I finish work, due to the governments inability to make patrons responsible for their actions.  
A lot of my friends we catch up at these times of day.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

No real adverse effect to my business here.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I see 3 businesses closing should these laws bring in.  
They simply will not be able to make ends meet.  
I believe they already trade responsibly.  
The essence of this town will be sucked away.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Its joke. Plain and simple.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

pokie machines I believe should be heavily restricted. Australia has a big gambling problem in comparison to other western country's.  
Yet seeing a band or a dj is bad?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Continue as we are going or further relax laws.  
The industry is over regulated & over taxed.  
If businesses were able to thrive without getting patrons drunk, this issue wouldn't exist.  
Punish irresponsible venues more, and make patrons accountable for their own actions.  
Why should I as a patron not be able to drink at a certain type of day due to the small % who can;t act decently?  
Why should be venues trading be made tougher because of a few venues that aren't even on my postcode, that can't trade responsibly?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Cheyenne Cahill  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from Airlie Beach and work at Little Vegas Burger bar. As its such a small town we know everyone from all the clubs and it would absolutely kill us to see them lose their jobs over this.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I'm a Bartender sobasically my entire job revolves around people partying and having a good time.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I've never had an issue here or seen an issue as its 5am here and the lockout is 3am it keeps the people that want to party in and all the drunks go home. They work perfect here

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Why try and fix something that already works?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Of course its would impact everything around my social life. I work in a restaurant bar where I don't finish till nearly 1 most nights so when we all finish we go to one of the clubs for a knock off drink now there's a chance we won't even be able to do that. All of my friends work in the clubs and I don't want them to lose their jobs

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

We finish work we wanna go out and party after, we get to the club wanna have a few shots we can't, we wanna have a cocktail we can't. Puts you in a shit mood and people get angry. That's almost 50% of sales there.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

There would be way too many job losses and a lot of them would be my close friends. Its an entertainment precinct. Our entire business and tourism runs off the basis of people partying and having a good time.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Its the government choosing to take peoples money more over us being happy and enjoying ourselves whilst listening to bands and having a few drinks

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

There's no issues here in Airlie beach everyone is well behaved. If you keep the lockout laws the same it keeps all the drunks away and all the people that actually want to party and have a good time in the clubs. There's still RSA in every club. The main issues are from drug affected people most people that are on drugs tend to wanna dance so give them a place too!

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Jesse costa  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From airie beach and Gold Coast, I'm a pilot and I love partying in both towns

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Tourism

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Our customers head out to have a good night and are travelling and want to have a good time

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's better people drinking in a controlled environment than roaming the streets causing trouble

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think it is a ridiculous proposal

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would affect the economy massively and the tourism/ nightlife industry

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?



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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Sam dine  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

The Whitsundays and I have friends that work in the nightclubs like Paddy\'s and mamas

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Patron

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think the new rules will destroy this town

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Multiple friends and my room mate will loose there jobs and I will then also be worse off covering costs

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Mitch Hills  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from Brisbane I have been a full time DJ for 4 years and it has been a great industry to work in. I play all around Brisbane from the most popular clubs to smaller bars and I support each and every one of them.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Music is one of the most important factors when it comes to nightlife, so all of the DJs, bands and musicians play a massive role in the entertainment economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

First of all it provides tens of thousands of jobs around Australia. I have made good money by working hard and although I am not a student, it's great that people can study full time and work in night life hospitality on weekends to make an income. I have also made countless friends and grown my entire career from the industry.

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I completely understand that there is alcohol infused violence. However this is not at all the solution. There was an alcohol infused attack at 9pm at a 711. Do you think that has anything to do with nightclubs trading late? No. What we SHOULD be doing is punishing people harder for the offences. Don't let a few people ruin the entire industry. It will completely break it, and ruin the large clubs that have spent years building a business. Big nightclubs like Hot Gossip, Family and the Met can't open at 5:00pm to compensate - it makes no sense.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would definitely result in job losses. Not only for me, but because there are now 3x (or more) the amount of DJs looking for hours and getting squeezed into less available time.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

As a customer that's so boring and ruins the experience.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I definitely see all of the above. Businesses like large nightclubs closing after all their hard work, job losses in bartenders, security, musicians, glassy's and even the surrounding food businesses that get lots of income via the nightlife. Have they thought about that!?!

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is retarded. That's it.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I think 99% of everyone under the age of 45 will face-palm at the government for them thinking that a poker machine is the equivalent.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Harshen the punishments for offenders. Create more cultural activities that are actually fun.

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Q: Any other comments?

Screw you parliament!

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**From:** [David Madden](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: David Madden  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I run my own Entertainment business and work as a professional resident and guest DJ weekly at The Met, Blackbird, Byblos, The Victory, Prestige Bar, Next Hotel, The Wickham, Stokehouse and a number of other venues in the Brisbane area.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a DJ and booking agent so I am performing weekly and booking DJ's and artists.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

There is such a great vibe in Brisbane there has been an increased police presence and generally all my experiences have been positive.

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I don't believe this is a solution to the problem and I query why casino's are exempt from these proposals and pokies remain operational? It will destroy the entertainment precincts on the State!

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

My own income and the income of my business will be reduced significantly as will the income to the sub-contractors I book and every venue owner in the State!

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Why would people stay out if they cannot buy a drink??

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All of the above!!!! It will be a disaster!

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think this is ridiculous and hypocritical pokies are worse than alcohol!!

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I would rather see a live band or DJ than go and waste my money on pokies!!

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Better education starting from a young age, of the dangers of alcohol and drugs! We do it with cigarettes and gambling!! And a lot of it starts at home!!

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Jasmin Lear](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Jasmin Lear  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Airlie Beach and I am an independent contractor that have stakes and close ties with our late night industry and a patron alike.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Events booking and promotion, secretary to the board of our safe night association

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

In Airlie Beach generally speaking it is a safe place to enjoy late night festivities. Nothing is perfect but we are definitely not like larger capita places such as the gold coast, brisbane, Sydney and new castle and should not be judged as so. If something does happen on our streets our police security and bar owners and managers work closely together to correct the wrongs.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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- It will reduce trading hours for many small business owners where this trade is crucial to their bottom lines. It is not feasible to stay open and pay DJs, Staff and Security so people can have a '\lemonade\' or play pokies.. not to mention most small business owners and clubs do not have pokies.  
- Last drinks is closing, this bill seems to be rewarding big business and punishing small business. there will be a lot more people out on our street between the 1am and 3am close outside of controlled environments (clubs and pubs) all wanting food and wanting to get home at the same time this is where a lot of problems happen in the process of people getting home and I don\'t think our infrastructure could handle it. At the moment people go home at staggered rates which reduces the number of patrons on the street at any given time.. All patrons on the street at the same time... what a nightmare.



- I myself like drinking straight spirits on the rocks I sip it at a slower rate than a normal drink so I wouldn't like that being stopped. Shots however... mixed bag there it could be a good thing and could accept this change however you might find people ordering bulk amount of shots right before 12 just to get them in. You start trying to control people too much then tend to rebel against it.

- Pokies.... well thats just silly on so many levels and I hope the government has the intelligence to know why otherwise we are being led by money hungry self-agenda pushing ding bats. But if you want me to explain it... so many people have gambling problems and why on earth would you promote this as an alternative entertainment option. Not to mention that you could have an educated guess that only larger business and hotels have these facilities so it screws small business operators who work very hard to earn a living and do everything in their power to create safe environments.

- Bottleshops, I don't have a problem with this there are already too many bottle shops operating per capita and pre-loading is a huge problem to the late night community.

- Exemptions for Casinos. WOW good on you government reward big money cause of silly reasons and make it harder for the little guy. I just don't understand this logic at all. Your pockets must get lined nicely from them.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Yes, one of my most reliable clients is a late night venue, they contribute to at least 70-80% of my weekly income. If they closed which is a huge risk I would probably have to move to gain enough work to survive. I don't want to move I love Airlie Beach and want to do nothing but contribute to its future but if this income got taken away from me I would have no other choice as I feel would be the case for numerous people. Our employment market isn't that great as it is, this would make it a lot harder for people who work in the industry.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I don't have much of a problem with this.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I do fear business will close, at this point in time re-diversyfing would take some time and a lot of small business owners do not have the cashflow to weather the downfall in revenue until prosperous changes would take hold.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Its just unfair. the government isn't looking at the whole picture or landscape.. Local solutions for local areas is the way. I don't feel like this government is listening at all and if this goes through and the legacy they leave behind I think they will feel it at the next election. This is not the way forward but a step backward.. Lets be creative and innovative rather than the taking 'THE MAN' NANNY STATE approach.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

its simple sitting at a pokie machine is non interactive and really sad, watching zombies loose their money to greed YAY lets encourage that.... I would much rather enjoy some good music and have conversations and drinks with friends and the finish off with dance.. its great exercise.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you

were in parliament, what would you do?

Starting in the schools with education and reality checks. Also teaching our generation to be apart of positive humanity to care for each other and respect different perspectives and beliefs even if they don't agree. Maybe then people won't clash as much. Also stronger penalties for offenders... 9/10 someone who offends and swings a punch is a re-offender why do they re-offend well cause they feel tough and nothing really bad will happen to them.

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Q: Any other comments?

DONT DO IT! THERE ARE DIFFERENT WAYS TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM.

You are just putting a bandaid on a greater issue and blaming 2-4 hours of trade on an issue that spans much beyond and deeper then that.

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Submission by:  
Name: Genevieve Bange  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Airlie Beach, I am in training to become a manager at a nightclub called Mama Africas. I go out sometimes and I also enjoy going out on the water as well.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Training to be a manager, provide a service and entertainment, as well as a platform to expand promotions for tourism groups of a night time.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

5 years of my life have been spent working in hospitality (at night) and I love it. I think it's a fun and positive workplace that shouldn't suffer because of a select few's actions.

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I think it's stupid. They are going to put over 5000 young Australians out of work, diminish an ever-growing and very flexible industry and ultimately ruin the money the economy can make from nightlife. Not to mention my own job will be at stake and therefore I may have to relocate, I will struggle to pay rent and this is a daunting and stressful thought.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I would lose my job and consequentially my house, my life and my social life. It is all round going to impact my

life in a very negative way.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I don't think banning particular drinks will help; but I do think that maybe restricting the AMOUNT of these drinks each person can consume will help. Ultimately it's not the drink in question that causes the rare incident, it is the fault of the person responsible for not being able to handle themselves respectfully in public.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

The town would go to hell, jobs lost, tourists slowly not coming here due to lack of nightlife. I couldn't think of anything worse for this town.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Pathetic. It is promoting addiction to gambling, and antisocial behaviour among other things. At least nightlife/bars/nightclubs monitor alcohol intake and we have a duty of care towards patrons, we don't just want their money like casinos. We genuinely want people to socialise and have a fun, yet safe time.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I have a better time, a more social time and I feel safer that my wellbeing is constantly being watched, monitored and if anything goes wrong or I begin to get intoxicated my Health will be put first by the employees of where I am out.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would implicate more structured policies as to how many drinks a person can have at a time after a certain time, implement more security / employee policies that cover all aspects of a night out, monitor RSA more frequently. I wouldn't just take away thousands of jobs without giving the workplaces a chance to structure a policy that works for them and for them to implicate it.

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Q: Any other comments?

SAVE OUR NIGHTLIFE! Don't ruin Queensland.

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**From:** [Sophie knight](#)  
**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Sophie knight  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Bundaberg,

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think it will do a total 180 on what they're trying to achieve.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

All 3. Especially loss of work/jobs. People will start drinking at home with people more often instead of going out which means loss of more money and work.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Selling less.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All of the above.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

You can play poker machines any time of the day.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Start banning people at first offence. Drug checks at nightclubs.

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Caleb Robinson-Cook](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Caleb Robinson-Cook  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?  
  
Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Matthew Blanch  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Townsville and i Work in the Mad Cow tavern

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Security

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I make sure no one gets hurt or gets too intoxicated

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Its a good place to hang with friends and meet new people as well and working can mean a second job to support yourself and others

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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its really gonna do more harm than good people are gonna roam the streets and cause trouble in a more open environment rather than in a smaller more safe environment

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

it would mean less hours and less income coming in to me and the club which helps dozens of people and socially less time with friends

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

clubs make a lot of their profit on drinks so shortening the list available would mean it wouldnt have a profit

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

business could definitely face closure and all the intoxicated would flock to the streets and cause more trouble

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

not fair on the venues that run purely off drinks to patrons and dont do gambling

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

everyone would be more interested in the poker machines and not the rest of the club or other people

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

perhaps harsher entry policies

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Q: Any other comments?

this would do more harm than good to the taxpayer and the communities around the town and will probably make people more violent

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**From:** [Laura Hewitt](#)  
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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Social drinker and enjoy livd music

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Kacper Majchrowski](#)  
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**Cc:**  
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Submission by:  
Name: Kacper Majchrowski  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I work at a cafe in stones corner and am also an intern for 4zzz.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I currently play in a band and am also go out on the town to enjoy gigs and hang out with friends in various venues.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have met many new friends, watched many great bands and had quality experiences going out and playing in many venues.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think that this is a ridiculous idea. If you look at the statistics in Sydney, violence has not decreased it has just moved to different areas (such as Newtown). Furthermore the statistics show that although violence has gone down in areas that have implemented lock out laws, it is also evident that the amount of people going to areas which have lock out laws has decreased. This means that the number of reported acts of violence in these 'hot' areas has decreased, but the ratio has actually increased, so the violence has not gone down at all. There is no point in trying to nanny a state, it will not solve any problems. It will also hinder the arts and culture of an area and cause many venues to close (a lot of this has been seen in Sydney).

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I would most definitely have a lot less gigs to play and it would definitely effect my social life. In most areas it is difficult to have numerous amounts of people in a house or a flat because it can negatively effect people living nearby and most parties/gatherings would be shut down by the police.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It just impedes on our rights. I don't know why it matters when people stop drinking. What does drinking earlier solve? Most people would drink more before going out and could end up feeling worse because they've overestimated how much they need to have to accomodate these new laws.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

There would be a smaller number of bar staff needed so yes jobs would decrease. Business would shut down as they have in Sydney, which would ensue a lack of gigs for bands and local artists. The vibrancy would also be diminished as many wouldn't be able to enjoy themselves knowing they have to go home much earlier. What about the people who work in hospitality and don't get off work until 11pm-12am?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think it's ridiculous that they can frown upon drinking whilst enforce an addiction which is just as harmful. Drinking is just spoken about more so people don't understand how gambling can be bad. That being said, I think people should have the rights to do as they wish with matters concerning themselves. It only becomes an issue when it starts effecting someone else, which depends on the person and not on alcohol or gambling.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Honestly I think poker machines are a waste of time. They feed off addiction and take peoples money, whilst having a negative impact on the individual 99% of the time. Live music is a great social and emotional experience which receives just as much as it gives. Also, poker machines are very anti-social whilst music is a very social experience. I honestly think pokies should be removed to make more room for bands.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would try and educate people about alcohol. Not in a patronising way, saying that it's horrible and you should never touch it, but in an truly educational way. Also, to get to the root of anti-social behaviour you need to educate people about ethics. The government needs to see that restriction is not a good way of solving anything. It ultimately fixes nothing, as we have seen in Sydney.

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Q: Any other comments?

Don't ruin our culture and don't impede on our rights.

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Submission by:  
Name: Cody Blucher  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Townsville and work at Mad Cow Tavern.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a glassy, so I clean and collect glasses to create a safe environment for all patrons and staff.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

The atmosphere is the best part of my job, the positive vibes are the plus of the job.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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This will disadvantage QLD as we love our sport and will ruin businesses such as bars, bottle shops.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It will affect me as it will cut my hours due to the changes.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It will disadvantage the patrons as they wont be able to have full usage of the bar.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

It will affect our local area as we have a University here in Townsville, there will be limited jobs for them.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is unfair that the casino can serve 24 hours but the bars cannot.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

It will ruin the vibe and less people will go out and more people will go back to house parties creating drunk drivers so the police will have to run after these patrons around town.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Leave it how it is, this does not affect Cairns, Townsville, Mackay, Rockhampton ect.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Sunny Ho  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I work and play in numerous well known venues in Brisbane. Currently I have residences at The Met Brisbane and The Normanby Hotel.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

As a DJ, my role is to provide a party atmosphere for patrons to have a great and safe night out.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

- 1/ Get to play and work in one of the best night clubs in Brisbane.
- 2/ Catch up with friends at night on a regular basis in the safe environment.
- 3/ Meeting new people to broaden the enjoyment of going out.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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The proposal is reactive, ill conceived and does not address the issue at hand and. The government is essentially punishing the majority who do the right thing for actions of a few.

By implementing this proposal, we are harming the entertainment culture of this vibrant city and adversely impact the economy as a whole and not just the night-time economy.

The current system implement by the previously government is showing positive progress. It is difficult to understand why the new government is changing the system.

How is it fair and reasonable for Casinos to be exempted from the proposal? Is the government promoting

gambling whilst under the influence of alcohol?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

The reduced trading hours will mean less work for me as a DJ, restrict my freedom on when I can go and impact on my ability to socialise.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

The government is restricting my freedom of choice as a responsible adult and as a law abiding citizen. I have the right to choose.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All the above.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

How is this fair? Nothing good comes out of poker machines. Poker machines are facilitating gambling addictions.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

There is no comparisons, there is not community benefit of playing poker machines.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

- 1/ Punish anti-social behaviours and put everyone on notice that this behaviour is no acceptable in today's sociality.
- 2/ Provide more resources to law enforcement and support personnels.
- 3/ Education at the grass roots levels to change the culture.

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Corrinne Hamilton](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Corrinne Hamilton  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am a Musician/Songwriter from the Brisbane area. I play music in the Brisbane area including Fortitude Valley. For recreation I visit Fortitude Valley and Brisbane area venues to watch/support original Musicians and other Performers.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I write and perform original Music that I perform in Brisbane area venues. I invite people I know and those who follow my music to visit the venues where I play and to see other Musicians/Performers play.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I enjoy interacting with venue owners/managers, bookers, sound technicians, lighting operators, promoters/visual artists, musicians, performers, patrons, club members and reciprocating their support and custom.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I feel that the proposals are unfair. I feel that exemptions for Casinos and Pokies is illogical given the problems associated with gambling in our society. I also feel that Musicians, Visual Artists, Performers, Bookers, Promoters, Sound Technicians, Lighting Technicians, Venue Operators/Managers are being forgotten/swept under the rug. The proposals appear, in my opinion, seem to encourage gambling, casinos and pokies. In my opinion these proposals are not dealing with societal problems with addiction and anti-social behaviour.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in

less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

If venues have less income, I can only imagine that they will spend less money on Original Music. This would affect more than just Musicians. There are several other associated jobs with a gig. Personally, I am offended that these proposals would only allow me to gamble (when I am not interested in it) after a certain time, when I would rather support performers and venues that do. I don't drink alcohol, I attend venues to watch and support original music. That is my social life. If I am unable to do this anymore, my social life would be significantly affected.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

From an overall perspective, this would affect who would be able to stay in a venue. I don't drink alcohol, but my friends do. If they are restricted in what they are allowed to enjoy, I don't imagine my experience would be very enjoyable either.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I imagine that opportunities for musicians would be reduced. I imagine that public drinking may become a problem, if people don't have a licensed venue to go to. I imagine problem gambling will continue, if not worsen. I imagine venues will close. I imagine lots of people will lose their jobs. I imagine some people may want to leave Brisbane/Queensland in order to do the jobs they want to do in a place that does not restrict their choice of career.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I think that addictions, including gambling, are a problem in our society and I do not feel that the proposal addresses this. I find it completely unbalanced.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I would rather talk to a person and enjoy music/performances than look at a poker machine. Especially when I don't gamble. Even if I did - I think people are more interesting than machines.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I don't have the answers. I do feel that social services in general are under-funded and there are not enough community programs supported. Social Services workers are also over-worked and underpaid in my opinion.

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Q: Any other comments?

Don't do it. Please. This means my job. This means the jobs of my friends. This is also my social life. Thanks.

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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Surfers paradise. I work at the clock hotel

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work at a popular bar

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's a fun job. I never see any issues

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Terrible idea that will ruin my job and see my hours cut back.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

All of the above!

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

This wouldn't really effect me but it would bring business down

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Job losses.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

They are targeting us.. they make alot of money of taxing poker machines. Of cause they won't shut that down

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

There is no benefits to poker machines.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Increase police presence. Require venues have more security

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Kyle Burchill](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Kyle Burchill  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm in Brisbane and I'm an avid dance music fan. I run monthly club events with friends and also attend a lot of other events. I DJ on the side too

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

As promoters, our events bring in patrons to different venues around Fortitude Valley. We try to create vibrant, friendly events that emulate the vibe found in night clubs around Europe and the world, with music at the core of our values

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have never had a significantly negative experience working or playing in the night-time economy. I have met some of my closest friends and business partners through the night time economy, and seen some of my favourite musicians and DJs play late into the night. It's great to see a culture for underground styles of music here in Brisbane

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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It's a real shame that politicians and government advisors think this is an effective solution to a problem rooted much deeper within in our culture. Winding back trading hours will essentially encourage patrons to drink at a faster rate to get more drunk quicker. Moreover kicking everyone out at 3am does not seem like a wise decision if the main goal of these laws is to reduce violence.

Additionally the exemption of casinos and pokies machines clearly shows how much influence money has over legislation. Decisions aren't as much based on what is right for the community

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I enjoy dancing to music and partying till the sun comes up and sometimes well in to the morning. Lockout laws are not going to affect that, it's going to simply move us somewhere else so we can do exactly what we love. What it will do however is put myself and many other people like me in places where neighbours might complain of loud music, or to illegal warehouse raves etc. which aren't regulated nor do they have the safety requirements that actual entertainment venues have.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It won't affect me personally. But it may affect the clubs I host events in or attend therefore resulting in those clubs closing due to loss of revenue, thereby destroying the night culture / making it go back underground to illegal raves (Remember the 90s? I don't, i wasn't old enough but It makes sense to me)

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

The lack of revenue earned by clubs and promoters caused by these lockout laws may see Brisbane miss out on a large number of touring artists in Australia. Promoters or touring agents might night see Brisbane as a viable city to tour anymore. We already miss out on lots of artists but we are fortunate enough to get more than cities like Adelaide and Perth.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

It's 100% wrong. Anyone who can wholeheartedly say it is ethically right is wrong.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

There are way more positives in attending nightclubs and live music venues compared to poker machines. Live music and nightclubs embrace culture in our city, encourage social interaction and is in the absolute best interest of our city / state.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I think the obvious one which many of us have been saying for years is increased penalties for anti-social behaviour. In being completely honest, I have been in very drunken states out in clubs and music venues. However not once have I been involved in anti-social behaviour or an altercation. No matter what level of alcohol you have consumed it is no excuse for anti-social behaviour. Harsher penalties will deter more people from even thinking about it.

Furthermore, more education and first aid with respect to drugs and binge drinking. As we have seen in recent weeks, 2 people have died from drugs in Sydney and Adelaide. After many decades of fighting this war on drugs it's time to realise people will never stop taking drugs. How many more need to die before a change in how we approach the issue is made?

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Q: Any other comments?



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Submission by:  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Bundaberg born, been in Brisbane 10yrs. I work in Redcliffe. Play everywhere and anywhere mostly the Valley

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Landscape gardener

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?  
  
Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have only had pleasant evenings while going out. I thrive and love the long nights with my friends, going home when the sun is rising and knowing I enjoyed having a big night

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- \* New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
- \* In precincts, 1am Lockout & 3am Last Drinks (effectively closing time) instead of 3am Lockout & 5am Close
- \* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
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I have always managed my alcohol intake appropriately to be the designated driver and don't wish to be told that pokies can keep operating for people gambling away their lives and I can't enjoy my beverage. People also have varied lifestyles, previously working night shift you don't have time to go shopping during regular trading hrs and purchasing beverages from a bottle shop to enjoy after work is not criminal. These new laws should not hold the Casino above the laws. This is clear direction that gambling is more favoured then people learning to experience and enjoy life with their friends as have the generations before us.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I don't think this is the most sensible idea, it may reduce the amount of potential violence and resources during incidents but this will only be transferred into different areas and other interests

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I don't think I would want to be told I can't make my own adult decision for myself

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I think it would reduce the interest from local and international potential. This is a form of control, not based on safety

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I am extremely outraged at this displacement of intentions, why let someone keep gambling by themselves when people can not be free to enjoy dancing until dawn  
Only randomly do I hear "let's go hit the pokies"  
The amount of support and encouragement the youth give each other while going out clubbing is far greater than just watching friends gamble away their wages, I have seen that happen too many time before

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I would prefer to socialise with friends then lose money to a machine

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I believe that is the complete opposite outlook to have upon this, although this may seem anti-social behaviour it's far from it.  
Although you can't police everything because that is a direct harassment on freedom. Perhaps take more of a festival approach, provide more assistance where required.  
Medical volunteers, volunteers for another water station, increase police in the area rather than use undercover to search people, increased security in clubs and pubs

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Q: Any other comments?

I don't believe this will truly be effective, and a complete joke to consider gambling above the law

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Submission by:  
Name: Karen Johnson  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Live and work on the Sunshine Coast

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I enjoy spending time in brisbane listening to live music and at 50 I don't think any government should be able to tell me when and where I can have a drink

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I travel to brisbane probably once a month to stay in the valley and listen to live music with friends were all over 50 and are disgusted that legislation can decide what we do were adults and can make our own choices and be responsible for them I have never felt threatened or endangered being in the Valley late at night and have seen so little violence that I can't even remember any

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
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I don't believe in lock out I think that 3am should be last drinks you want to tell my husband and his mates that they can't drink expensive scotch on the rocks after 12pm and your a brave man I don't care what time you shut the bottle shops pokies should not be allowed to continue after last drinks as that is just tax funding casinos should have the same rules as music venues and if there's no public transport to take people home it doesn't matter what time you shut venues

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

At my age having travelled the world I feel these laws are insane considering there trying to stop the one punch deaths of which most happened early in the night so wouldn't be stopped and are drug related and unless the bars are serving drugs it's not going to make a difference

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

As an older queenslander we are known to finish the night with a quiet scotch so as we are adults is that no longer allowed

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I think these laws will have venues closing and the already fragile music industry collapse

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

I believe if a venue can't stay open to serve alcohol with live music they shouldn't be open to serve alcohol with gambling

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

This weekend twenty of us will travel to brisbane to watch live Music and have a drink not one of Us will spend a cent on the pokies

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Until

You can stop the taking of drugs that cause anti social Behavior nothing will improve young men hipped up on steroids and e lock out laws won't stop that

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Q: Any other comments?

I am a mother with two sons in there 20's I am completely aware of the issue of violence in the valley area of brisbane however any Instance I've been witness to has been drug related not alcohol or from the inability to get a taxi to get home when they'd had enough I bet uber has made a marked difference to the valley nightlife taxi queues are a focus of hostile behavior because people are tired drunk and just want to go home if there was a proper public transport system that ran all Night these issues could be neutralized

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**From:** [Rollo Moodie](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Rollo Moodie  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Karley Gillis  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane I work at the Airport and I like Brisbane City nightlife

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I go out on weekends

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
\* New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am  
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The Lock out times are Rediculous. The other rules I see no issue

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I work shift work so for me to go out and met with my friends sometimes it means I can't make it till late. With the proposed new laws I won't be able to meet them at all.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

No



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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Yes

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Unfair

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Music is Social and Vibrant compared to Pokies that cause Antisocial and reclusive behaviours

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Focus on the youth of today that are yet to enter the night life world and focus positive behaviours on them now! Schooling is key.

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Q: Any other comments?

It's hard to change peoples behaviours but it's much simpler to create behavioural standards on the youth of the future

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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Matt Rodrigues  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Brisbane.  
Work at various live venues across Brisbane. Play at The Foundry, The Globe, Brightside.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work in various bars around the city and play in a couple of bands as well.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Getting to know the industry, meeting different people and supporting other local bands.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I don't think this will solve the issue. It might have a positive effect but the negatives will out weigh in my opinion. I think education will be far more effective.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would reduce work hours which would reduce pay, take away opportunities to play live and get exposure as a band, and draw people away from the city.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I work in restaraunt bars so this particular ban would not affect me.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

I feel the number of live venues would drop to an even lower amount, almost non existent. This would have a negative affect on musicians and hospitality workers.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Even though, I assume the money generated from '\pokies\' out weighs the money generated from over the counter bar sales at a live music venue, i feel it is unfair to favour the gambling side. People are not going to travel interstate to see their favourite pin ball machine.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I personally do not think this form of income stream for the city is the most popular of the two (speaking of gambling and live music). Just because a certain subject isn\'t being reported in the mainstream media, doesn\'t mean it\'s not happening. People will always go and see live bands for a number of reasons. One, being the social aspect which you do not have with pokie machines.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Definitely education. If people know more they can do more. Clever as campaigns aimed at the youth. I think the RSA is doing well in the parts that I frequent (the Valley and City) and think the security guards are trying their best and if this law comes to pass, they will be another minority that lose a chance to earn a living because of something that someone else did.

If we target and educate, I feel like we can move forward as a city and get back to being the popular entertainment hub Brisbane WAS.

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Q: Any other comments?

Don\'t punish live music. You would be surprised how much you would miss it. I know I would.

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Submission by:  
Name: Lara O'Kane  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Townsville & work, dine & go out in the city, particularly in the night club strip.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

We are a 24 hour fast food bakery cafe with nightclubbers being our main customers

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

When I am not working I am sometimes a patron at the bar or night club. When working I am feeding the patrons - we are a 24 hour fast food cafe/bakery in the night club precinct - overnight on a Friday & Saturday night is our busiest time.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Socializing with others and also having an income from it.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I think it will cause more violence as people will get separated & frustrated & take their anger out on innocent people. It will be so much harder to get a cab ride home as more people will be leaving at the same time instead of staggered which means there will be even more fights in cab queues as people will be even more frustrated at not being able to get home. Back yard parties will start up as people want to finish partying, this will disturb Neighbourhood with noise in early hours & without security & police presence there would be no one to control any violence - unwanted guests may follow them home etc...

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

The proposed hours would mean we would have less staff hours & if the security & police finish earlier there may be more trouble.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Not sure.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

There would definitely be job losses & less opportunities to attract people to our entertainment precinct which in turn affects all businesses in city & residences of this town.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Not very fair

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Culture far outweighs gambling.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Put in more police, security & transport facilities so people can leave fairly quickly instead of standing in queues with the minority of badly behaved people around causing trouble.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Manesh Magan  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

My name is Manesh Magan and I have lived in the Valley for over 5 years. I chose to live in the Valley as it is close to my work, and where I love to spend my time. I have seen the entertainment precinct move from strength to strength over the years, with friends operating businesses big and small.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I currently work as a DJ, playing at The Met Brisbane with a large group of amazing people who I think of as family.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have met and become friends with a large group of lovely, friendly people who all enjoy their time spent in the entertainment precinct. My friends own and operate businesses, including nightclubs, bars and late night restaurants. I have, and continue to enjoy frequenting these venues with friends and family who all share a great time.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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\* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs  
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The proposed lockout laws will have a devastating effect on the entertainment precinct. Small and large business owners will not be able to trade and will quickly close, the buzz and vibe created that draws tourists to visit will cease to exist, friends hours will be cut and they will no longer be able to live comfortably - the list goes on.

People that enjoy a drink and party with friends will be forced to attend unsupervised venues that are not policed and the thought of this scares me - we are no longer looking at alcohol fuelled violence, we are looking at people dying and underground parties taking place in the suburbs.

The fact that Casinos are exempt from this policy is an outrage and sends a terrible message - absolutely shocking.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

The impacts of the proposed lockout laws will result in me having hours cut as well as my friends hours cut and businesses closed. The social lives of my friends and I would be greatly impacted and I worry about people attending parties that are not policed - the risks are endless!

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I do not believe bans on certain drinks address the problem of alcohol fuelled violence - this would also effect the experience of patrons and could possibly force businesses to change trading hours, possibly resulting in the closure of businesses.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

The entertainment precinct would no longer be a hot spot for people to live and enjoy. Businesses would close as they have in Sydney. My friends and I would see reduced hours and in some cases, would not have a job at all! This would be a tragedy.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Allowing drinking in poker rooms and casinos but not in venues that are supporting youth culture is outrageous...

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Playing poker machines fuels gambling addictions, ruins families and can get people killed. Attending nightclubs allows people to enjoy music and entertainment with friends.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

I would investigate a different approach - speak with business owners with first-hand experience who know proven ways to curb anti-social behaviour. I would investigate stronger penalties for anti-social behaviour and to ensure we are able to remove people who demonstrate this behaviour, I would support ID scanners for all clubs and areas within the entertainment precinct.

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Q: Any other comments?

These lockout laws are ridiculous and will have a devastating effect. They cannot be allowed to pass.

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Submission by:  
Name: Emma Finney  
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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from the USA just recently moved to from Sydney to Brisbane. I'm currently looking for work in a club like setting. I enjoy going out until the early mornings and bar hopping.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

While experiencing different clubs you usually stay in one for an hour then go to the next depending on the vibes you want. I spend my money on covers and drinks. A very reliable / valuable customer.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's nice to have the lockout at a later time setting so you can support different clubs and find your feel for the ones you like. When there's a later lockout there's no stress to making it to the door or inside on time.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I dislike it all. Especially the shots. Bar tenders are trained to know when to stop serving certain people so it's a bummer it would have to affect all of us who drink and party responsibly.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I feel like it would affect our views in freedom and wouldn't be beneficial to the clubs that have a cover charge. That's how they keep the club up to standards with good staff, atmosphere and security.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Sometimes you just need a shot to get re energized! As long as you're drinking responsibly (which servers are trained to monitor) then all is well. Plus that's how bars make their money and servers make their tips (if applicable)

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

It's not nightlife if you get locked out before 3am... I do see musicians reduced since your last artist would potentially be at 1am instead of another one coming on later.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Very unfair to the businesses. All should have equal opportunities.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

No comment since I don't gamble. But it just sounds like a way to take people's money.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015  
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Submission by:  
Name: Terrie Suffolk

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Gold Coast.  
Work Fortitude Valley

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I serve drinks responsibly.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Very few people behave in a manner requiring police attention.  
Most people just want to go out with friends and have fun.  
Many people work shift work and do not catch up with friends until later in the night.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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- \* No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
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The most ridiculous part of this plan is exemption for casinos. If this is a real problem casinos would not be exempt.

Closing earlier will not stop the people causing trouble.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

Without a doubt will affect my income as a full time university student. It is proposed our place of employment will open earlier. Most of us are university students. How can we get to work earlier when some of our tutorials

begin at 5pm.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I don't have a problem with certain drinks not being served after 3am. Many times I will not serve multiple serves of shots after 3am anyway. But there is no need for the midnight proposal.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Why would people go out to party when they can go home and drink freely.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

This is a revenue raising scam!

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Poker machines should be far more heavily regulated.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Stop being soft on troublemakers.

We have a destructive culture, based on greed and selfishness.

I experience it every weekend even from people who do not disobey the law.

12 months post high school should be a year of compulsory military or community service.

Fed up with Australian youth who believe it is acceptable to treat everyone around them with contempt.

About time our youth learnt some respect. For themselves and others.

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Q: Any other comments?

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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Taryn Riedy

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I was born in Brisbane and currently reside in the Fortitude Valley. I work at a local nightclub full time and a change in nightclub hours will mean a massive loss of income for me, and many others I work with. It would completely devastate our industry

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Entertainer in a nightclub

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: James Marriott

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

James from Brisbane, like to go out in the city and surrounding suburbs. The proposed lockout is not a solution to alcohol related issues, I'm sorry but the government just needs to work harder to find an appropriate solution to these societal issues.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I enjoy drinking and eating out.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Nightclubs are a fun place to let off steam and to meet people. Some of the best friends and people I know today are people that I met when working/attending nightclubs years ago. I understand that there are issues with alcohol, specifically with alcohol related violence in our society, however effectively ending the night club industry in Queensland is a dangerous step towards prohibition and is not a positive solution to alcohol related issues.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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All of the above makes absolutely no sense. Let people stop drinking but keep them gambling? What a joke. Seems as if the government is getting into bed with Echo Entertainment. Is this corruption?

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

I worked in clubs years ago, it was one of the best jobs I have ever had. I can't imagine that this industry might disappear overnight, that would be a tragedy.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Queensland would quickly become the Nanna state. I'll be moving interstate if its no fun to be here.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Job losses and closed business are a guarantee. I have heard no news from the government in what they expect people will do if they have no where to stay out late. Do they think people will simply sleep? Opens up room for a black market economy if you ask me.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Sounds like the government are more concerned with revenue than the health of society.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

I feel that it is important to separate nightclubs and live music venues, in that there are generally less issues at gigs than what there are at nightclubs. Different scenes come with different issues, and I think we all know that nightclubs bring along far more problems than venues such as the Triffid, the Zoo, Rics etc. Pokies are just bad news period, speaking of machines that should be banned society wide...

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Deregulation is key to allow venues and patrons alike to have a more enjoyable, price effective experience when they go out. This may help to combat the issue of pre-loading before coming into the entertainment precinct. Venues, especially nightclubs, should show that they are actively involved in providing benefit to the community by offering patrons free water inside and outside of their venues, cleaning the mess generated by their venues in the surrounding areas (and not rely on council to do so), provide rest stations for their patrons outside of the venue. Training for barstaff should be mandated and compulsory once quarterly, bartenders should be required to attend this training free of cost.

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:  
Name: Jason Haly

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Work in Eight mile plains, live in Morningside and play all over the city highlighting the Valley.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Go out, spend money on taxis, uber, drinks, tips, food and entry.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

All work and restricted play would make a very dull existence.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Restrictions never restrict what they set out to accomplish. They usually exacerbate people's urge to keep playing but in potentially worse and unsafe ways in unregulated environments.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would result in all of the above and contribute to a nanny state style revolt - possibly in the wrong way.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I believe in Pro choice as an adult who pays taxes and contributes to the nightlife economy.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

All of the above.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

Exactly the type of negative bi-products we don't want as described in my earlier responses.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Dead against it. The government is selfishly using poker machines to make up for lost revenue.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

It all comes down to education and giving young people a fair go. Help the people help the country. Create a reciprocal environment instead of a surprised one.

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Claudia Cranshaw](#)  
**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Claudia Cranshaw

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I love to go out with my friends and enjoy a good night out!

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Never had a bad night! The valley is awesome! These lock out laws will complete ruin it and only cause us to pre drink harder before going out!

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Absolutely ridiculous! How could they possibly think this a good thing?!

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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**From:** [Rebecca Sedgman](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Rebecca Sedgman

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm fro Townsville and I work as the Promotions and Functions Manager at The Mad Cow Tavern.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Promotions and Functions Manager

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

My role is to entertain patrons within our club and give large groups somewhere to hold their functions.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have never had a problem in the late night precinct in Townsville or anywhere else for that matter. Our club \strip\ has security guards, police and ambulance on hand, a rest area where you can receive free water and sit down while within a safe environment. Both work and play for me are always positive and I enjoy seeing people get together to enjoy a social experience.

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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I believe they are very 1 sided and are being spoken about by people who wouldn't have stepped foot into a late night venue for many years. In Townsville especially as 1 example, we are a sporting town. If the cowboys had an 8pm game which is held in the suburbs patrons wouldn't get into the city until 11.30 -12 which costs them \$50 in a taxi to have 1 hr before last drinks, thats ridiculous. They would stop coming into the city and stay at the suburban pubs with pokies so they can drink longer and potentially drink drive to get home as their car is only around the corner. So the pubs with multi million dollar owners/pokies will remain open (as the government get a cut of their pokie takings) with over crowded patrons in less policed areas instead of spreading the people around the city and letting people be young and have a good time where they want not where they told.

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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Would it result in less work/job losses? Would it result in a loss of freedoms? Would it affect your social life negatively?

It would affect my work as people wouldn't hold functions/visit the city if they had limited time to entertain their guests. My job requires the establishment to be open longer than 5 hours, what sort of business cause live off that. Ask a retail store if they would close at 2pm I'll guarantee they would say no due to job losses etc. It is exactly the same for our businesses. On a social platform 1pm is extremely early if you're a young person. We work hard just like all those who did before us but are missing out on our freedoms.

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Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Many people who visit our venue work in hospitality as it's in that part of the city. If a restaurant closes at 10 and people head home to get ready they have a 2hr window to be back to enjoy maybe cocktail. We live in a busy 24/7 world not a 9-5 world. People need flexibility when it comes to their social life not to be controlled by government's who think they helping when its just not the case.

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Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? Do you foresee job losses? Do you foresee opportunities for musicians reduced? Do you think the vibrancy of your local area would be diminished?

Everything will be diminished in the city area. We are already seeing vibrant clubs and pubs up for sale with owners seeing no worth in their establishment with just the talk of these news laws. Don't put small business out so the chain hotels with pokies can earn even more money. Gambling is a larger problem in this country but it seems the politicians are happy for people to still have a flutter. Our city needs nightlife and that doesn't finish at 1am.

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Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not be able to serve drinks after certain times, other venues will be allowed to have poker machines running all night, some without a lockout?

As I've mentioned above that is ridiculous. People spend their life savings on pokie machines and maybe \$100 on a Saturday night out in a late night venue, as well as pay for a taxi home. So you want to close small businesses and reduce taxi jobs so people can gamble and spend \$1000s in one sitting. Sounds like the government has all the wrong reasons to introduce these laws.

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

Its depressing watching people sit there all day hoping for that win. They don't talk to anyone they look depressed. In our venue patrons are seeing friends they haven't seen in years, they are meeting new friends, participating in community events such as the Towsville v8s, tourists want to see cities not the suburbs where people are gambling.

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

Put more rest stops in these areas with the free water and a seat, have controlled taxi stands, more police on the beat, harsher penalties for those who want to bring it down for everyone else, it's only a few you wreck it for everyone and I dont want them in my venue so if you muck up you're banned for life. Simple as that. People will get the message.

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Q: Any other comments?

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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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Submission by:  
Name: Debbie Sweeney

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?  
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Submission by:  
Name: Claire bretherton

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Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I work at caberet

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Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I entertain these new laws will affect to many jobs

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Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Q: How do you feel attending nightclubs and live music venues compares (in terms of social interactions and community interests) with the community benefit of playing poker machines?

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Q: What are your ideas for better ways to reduce anti-social behaviour and change culture in this space? If you were in parliament, what would you do?

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Q: Any other comments?

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