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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: Ben Madden

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

Work at McDonald's and train a lot so when I go out I don't want restrictions on my fun.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Go out with mates and just enjoy it a lot. I do not like the fact our fun can be restricted due to certain individuals who ruin it for the rest of us.

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

No

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
* New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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Banning shots and certain drinks won't change anything it's not the alcohol it's illicit drugs.

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?

Socially I won't see my friends as much seeing as it limits our options of what to do.

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

Negatively, I don't want to be forced out of my preferred drinks.

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?

No my local area doesn't benefit from nightlife. Maybe the pubs but that's not where I go out.

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?

Ironic.

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 this doesn't affect me

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?

Think of others areas socially that young people could confirm to

Q: Any other comments?

Focus on the people who take it to far rather than the ones who just go out to have fun.

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From: [Daniel Mahler](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Daniel Mahler

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

I've recently moved to Wynnum Brisbane. I play in my band in and around Fortitude Valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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

I play in a band for an audience who comes to a venue to watch a band play music.

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

Yes

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

Meeting great new people, earning money, spending money having fun.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think that pokies ruin people lives and that the government just wants to keep people on them for as long as possible to raise revenue. Secondly, Pokies aren't fun, as opposed to going out on the town is fun. If you want to make Brisbane an attractive place to visit and not just a creepy pokie den for retirees and bogans, then don't impose these laws restricting the already restricted Brisbane night-life.
If violence is a problem (though I have never seen a punch thrown in Brisbane in my time in the Valley/City) in Brisbane, then pay your police to do something about it rather than following ticketees around who fine people for dropping cigarette buds (again, more revenue raising), aggravating drunk people into doing something stupid like insulting an officer or something like that.
Brisbane's cultural scene is getting better, while still majorly behind Melbourne and Sydney, but these new lockout laws will crush it and make all young people want to move to other cities, and just make Brisbane more of a nanny-state than it already is.

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, it would result in smaller crowds, less gigs, less venues, less bands in the city.
It would be utterly counterproductive to my career as a gigging musician.

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

Other than the occasional shot, it wouldn't affect me too much.

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 a lot of venues would sell out and cater to the mass-club scene, which is a worse scene than the live music scene because of the brutish characters it attracts, as well as the drugs that go with the music (MDMA, ecstasy, etc)

There is three scenes that go out really: the clubbers (going out to take drugs, and get laid), the bar chillers (just going to bars to drink with friends and maybe pick up), and the live music attendees (going out to watch bands, drink and get laid). In my opinion it is the minority of clubbers who get tanked up on roids and then go out to a club and take energy enhancing drugs and drink excessively who cause the majority of the fatal blows and critical injuries that happen in Brisbane's night-life.

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 blatant revenue raising. Pokies destroy lives just as much or even more than drinking.

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 are not fun for the person who visits a city to experience a city. Correct? Maybe for one or two pulls, but no-one will miss pokies at 2 am when they are having fun in a bar with their friends, or with a guy/girl they've just met and are in conversation with. Keep gambling in Casino's and RSL's. Clubs, bars and venues should be celebrated as meeting places for people to relax and enjoy.

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 station police on corners so people know where they are should some buffoon start assaulting them, or so bouncers can easily run and find them to arrest trouble-makers on a premises.

I would leave the 3am lockout as is.

And If I were looking to raise money, I would increase live music venue licenses to 2am to stimulate crowds to stay out for longer consistently.

Q: Any other comments?

Thanks for reading my answers.

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Submission by:
Name: Karen Scaife

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

Brisbane. Fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

adult entertainer

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

Strip venues.

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

No

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

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?

It would mean loss of income. I have multiple disabilities and doing this work is the only way that I can pay my bills, allowing me to obtain a university education. Take this away and i will be forced into prostitution, or be forced to leave university. There is NO WAY this industry which supports underprivileged women can survive with your proposed regulations. It was already damaged by your 3am lockouts in the past which for a time resulted in homelessness of myself and some other entertainers, one who was a cancer patient undergoing chemotherapy. At the decision making level I am sure its assumed we can get jobs elsewhere. We cant. We are the sick, the \"unemploy-ables\", the unskilled and the single parents. These proposed regulations have

implications for us that I am sure you have not considered.

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

Please read comment above. Says all I want to say. Thankyou

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Submission by:
Name: Amy Lawson

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

Brisbane

Work in CBD/drink in CBD & FV

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Bartending & adult entertainment controller

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

Yes

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

Mostly positive, there are issues wherever you go but no other countries with longer or no lockout laws have these issues.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Ridiculous. It will cause people to sneak their own alcohol, pre drink and essentially undoes the alcohol tax.

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 patronage in entertainment precincts, people pre-drinking causing more problems in venues or after being refused entry to venues.

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

Bars will close, people will lose their jobs. This is the complete wrong way to go about it.

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?

Patronage will diminish in favour of local bars or house parties. Or all problems will move to the casino, which seems like a tactic to increase patronage to a gambling focused venue.

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 encourages less creativity and more gambling addictions.

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 benefit of poker machines. It's gambling, not a social activity and just revenue raises for the venue and the government.

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 taking such an out of touch stance, listen to the people in the industry.

Supply more cab ranks, legalize uber and provide more public transport options. Require more indepth training to security guards about diffusing situations and stopping intoxicated people through the door.

Q: Any other comments?

It's not antisocial behaviour. Its lack of education.

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Submission by:
Name: Adam Cassidy

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

I'm from Brisbane and i'm a resident Dj at Family Nightclub.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I'm a DJ and I entertain hundreds of patrons a weekend.

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

Yes

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

Friendships, having a place to grow my career, building a culture.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it's the wrong approach seeing as it's only a minority of people ruining it for the majority and the people ruining it are the type that are angry without alcohol. I rely on the nightlife industry and will lose my job as a DJ, which will make the road to chasing my dream a lot harder. I believe there could be many other alternatives to solving the problems we have then the proposals at hand. There are so many well behaved people that enjoy the nightlife we have at the moment and it would be a shame to see these venues close due to the new laws and end up being a ghost town like Sydney has now become.

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 definitely affect me in a lot of ways such as losing my job, taking away freedom and not being able to go to the next step in my career as we rely on the venues we play at to further ourselves as DJ/Producers without

clubs we won't be noticed.

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

It would affect us hugely as the venues rely on bar takings and having patrons in the club. The clubs will be forced to close after time as no one would be venturing out.

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 these venue's play a massive part for a DJ/Producer trying to make it. This would be a huge upset to our careers and would most probably end up making me lose something I love doing.

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 an outrage all venues should operate the same and I think that we should be allowed to keep the freedom we have now as clubs are struggling as is let alone when these laws are applied.

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 never play poker machines as they are a waste of money and I don't see people that play these machine's socialising at all.

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 punishments for the idiots playing up.
Education.
ID Scanners to keep out these offenders.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Janelle Caston](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Janelle Caston

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

Fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

I work at RGs/Rics in the valleys a a bar tender. I also am in charge of all the promoters for The Brightside in the valley and party at all these venues

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

Yes

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

Especially at venues like The Brightside. Fans can see bands they love and then meet them after the show. Or major tours they can continue a great night out at a concert and generally their favourite band comes along after the show too. We have a fight happen in this club about once a month if that!

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It's going to kill my job and the economy of QLD. It hasn't solved anything in Sydney. They say violence is down but that's because there is so much less traffic in the precinct! The issue doesn't lie in the clubs it's on the streets when people are waiting for transport home. A stronger police force or security in the streets would help better than these laws

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?

People would rather have house parties or not go out purely because by the time they got in there they would be

sent home an hour later.

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

I do think banning shots and cocktails can help as people are consuming less alcohol at once and drinking more responsibly

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 entire valley almost closing due to owners not being able to afford to pay rent/bills. Causing loss of jobs.

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 always been like this. The casino has always had "it's own laws" ... It's unfair and all laws should apply to all venues no matter who they are.

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 gambling problems will rise from this. They are addictive. But will people stay in a venue with machines when they can't drink?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Mark Hillman

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

I live in Townsville, North Qld, and have done on and off for the last 10 years - at other times I have lived in Cairns. For the last 8 of these, I have made my living as a musician, either as a busker or live entertainer in late night venues.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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

Entertainer - both as a street performer and venue band.
Have also been a bartender and waiter in the past.

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

Yes

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

I have created an entire lifestyle for myself based upon my work in the night-time economy. As an entertainer I also get to play and connect with people - I would never have met some of my closest friends (people I now consider family) if not for the night life in Qld.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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For a start, why should Casinos or Pokies be exempt? Sounds to me like big business trying to establish more of a stranglehold on the industry, at the expense of local business owners and operators.

Generally, the night-life doesn't peak here until around 1am - these new laws would drastically effect this - people in my position stand to lose a lot of potential income, and many hospitality staff stand to lose their jobs, or at least a good portion of their weekly hours.

As for banning certain types of drinks - haven't we learned yet that prohibition doesn't work? How about some

actual education and campaigns about responsible drinking instead of dictating to people what they are or aren't allowed to do with their recreational time.

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 one is complicated - due to local laws applying to busking (assuming they don't change) - the new lockout and trading hours may be beneficial in some ways (being able to busk between lockout and last drinks, which we can't do now, as busking has a 3am cutoff in Townsville's Entertainment Precinct.. BUT, the new trade times could drastically reduce the number of people who choose to come out and enjoy the precinct, as many don't even start coming out until after midnight... one of two things could happen, either they will come out earlier (good for me) or not come out at all (bad for everyone).

From a venue musician point of view, however - many of us will lose work - bands here usually play from around 10pm-2am and paid reasonably for our services - however venue owners have already stated that the entertainment budget is the first place they will reduce spending if these laws are put in place - so already, I know I'm going to lose income and potential opportunities - as will many others. The music industry is already hard enough to work in, we don't need it being made any harder.

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

Perhaps indirectly - but I do notice it is after 12am that busking trade improves and the "mood" in the Entertainment Precinct reaches that peak point..

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?

From speaking to local venue owners and operators I know that many of these places are already struggling - these laws could quite well force many of these venues to close - taking away from the already limited opportunities for hospitality workers and musicians/DJs.

As a musician, I find the threat of losing so much work could potentially mean I will have to leave the state/country to pursue my career - and I wouldn't be alone in this.

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?

Utterly disgusted.

Poker machines add no value to our community whatsoever, they simply suck people's hard earned money out of them for a cheap thrill.

Venues supporting culture, however, give a lot to the community - from a place for an aspiring band/artist to start out or make a living, to the general atmosphere being one of coming together and celebrating music/life/culture.

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?

A poker machine seems to have very little in the way of "community benefit" - how much of the money that gets put through them actually goes back into the community? I would assume very little - all the while the people in our community are the ones feeding the money into the machines, for it to line the pockets of the people who own the machines - which in most cases isn't even the venue that the machine occupies. These machines also encourage anti-social behaviour (sitting by oneself staring at a machine for hours on end focused

on the game instead of the people around you is NOT social). Gambling is also as much of a problem in our society as Alcoholism..

In my opinion and experience, nightclubs and live music venues (esp. live music venues) provide much more in the way of an environment in which to socialize comfortably and have fun together with other members of the community. Also, as far as entertainment goes, it takes one person to maintain a room full of poker machines (1 job) whereas a live band or other form of entertainment will usually involve more than 1 person.. so more people in our community get work from one of these venues - which further stimulates the LOCAL economy.

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 for said anti-social behaviour, more emphasis on RSA, and also on Responsible CONSUMPTION of Alcohol. Longterm bans from entertainment precincts and venues for repeat offenders. Just to name a few.

Also, potentially a shift away from Alcohol as our primary drug of choice for entertainment - which we know leads to violence and depression. Lift the prohibition on certain other drugs and allow them to be produced with quality control and sold by venues in controlled amounts.

MDMA, for instance, when used properly in the right amounts from a source that could be regarded as safe, may be a much better alternative to drinking. It's already being shown to be effective medicinally, so why not recreationally as well, provided the right controls are in place? (This is just one example and does not mean I condone the use of Illegal Drugs - just that with proper research, we may find other alternatives to alcohol that may help reduce the amount of anti-social behaviour relating to it.

Q: Any other comments?

These laws seem, at a glance, to be quite draconian, and of major benefit to gambling operators above anyone else. Not fair, and poorly thought out.

Also, from talking to people that use the precinct since these laws were proposed, it is quite clear to me that no one actually involved in the industry (as a patron or worker) supports this idea - it will cost us money, jobs and negatively impact our lifestyle.

The people say NO.

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Submission by:
Name: Troy Bennett

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Police

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

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

Yes

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

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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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Joel Briggs](#)
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: Joel Briggs

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

I'm from Brisbane and play all over bris and the sunny coast.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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

I make a living playing music, so it will affect my living as well as many other's. We have such a vibrant night life. There are other solutions.

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

Yes

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

The social aspect is amazing. I have never had a problem with other's getting into trouble at my gigs, or anyone else's.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The less businesses make, the less they can spend.
Exemptions to the massive businesses aren't fair on the smaller guys.

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 3:34:17 PM

Submission by:
Name: Saascha kessell

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

Love our nightlife ! Don't change it won't help the drinking issue only education can do that !

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

Patron and worker

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

Yes

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

It's social it's part of our reason for living here

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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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Damon Holland

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

Brisbane, St Lucia. Going out predominantly in Fortitude Valley and Brisbane CBD.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Bar tender

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

Yes

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

Going out for a few drinks with friends can hardly be a negative experience. Anytime heading out has been a positive experience.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Not worth the risk to the local economy.

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?

Jeopardise the longevity of my job and everyone else in the industry.

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

Loss of customers, loss of business, loss of jobs.

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 definitely see a reduction in businesses.

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?

Ridiculous laws.

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?

Tremendously different activities. One actually involves social interaction and provides support to actually important industries.

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?

Higher police presence, reduce taxes on lower alcoholic percentage beverages.

Q: Any other comments?

I can't see how kicking people out in the prime time of night life could lead to less violence. Not only will it affect the local economy but will result in higher rates of violence (Larger queues for taxis with drunk, aggravated patrons being forced to go home).

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Submission by:
Name: Michaelia Sires

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

Originally from Adelaide but by the time I was 18 and legal I was in Townsville for uni and working at Mad Cow Tavern

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

As a bartender I responsibly serve patrons alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages keeping an eye out for any patrons being disruptive or unruly

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

Yes

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

I find going out is a great way to meet up with friends or meet new friends in a safe environment where alcohol can be served responsibly and you don't have to worry about the clean up

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

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People enjoy going out because it's a great environment and a fun way to meet new people but if these proposals are put in place more people to drink at home rather than going out as they will have no restrictions on what or for how long they can drink. If last drinks are at 2am then that's when people will leave as no one will want to stay in a nightclub for 3 hours drinking only water. If there is a 1am lockout put in place precincts will close early as I have found that people like to move from place to place earlier in the night but don't mind so much after 3am

Having no shots or straight spirits after 12 will mean there will hardly be any shot purchases as most people arrive and prefer to have normal drinks first then have a few shots, a 2am cutoff is more practical

I have no issues with the pokie, bottle shop, or casino proposals

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 have a negative affect on my job and therefore my life as I am a full time uni student and rely on the decent night hours to earn enough money to support myself. The reduced trading hours would mean reduced work hours and less pay and I would find it hard to pay for the essentials of living plus bills
My social life would also be affected as no one would want to waste their time getting ready to go out and would prefer to stay at home and drink which is much harder to organise and clean up and you would never meet new people

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

Not being able to have shot or straight spirits after 12 will cause my work a massive loss in money as I have found most people prefer to have normal drinks first then have shots including myself which affects my experience as I wouldn't be able to enjoy going out as much. I feel a lot of people will feel pressured into having more shots more quickly so they can get as many shots in before 12 which would have a negative affect on everything

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?

Townsville is already a pretty small place and I know there are businesses that are already struggling. With these changes many businesses could be in jeopardy of closing down which would in turn cause losses in jobs for many people including bar tenders, security, glassies, musicians, managers, promotional teams, and many more including the businesses suppliers. With businesses closing down it will put other businesses on edge and the great night-life vibe will be gone

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 and drinking are two different business fronts and people who go to gamble generally don't care much for the music and I just don't think the serving time for drinks should be changed

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 live music venues have a more open feel compared to pokie venues. While playing the pokies there's not much room for interaction as the patron is focused completely on the pokie machine rather than the people around them. At nightclubs patrons are there to socialise and interact with others not sit in front of a screen

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?

Support the nightclubs and live music venues where people can meet and socialise and interact with others. It's a lot better for someone to go out clubbing alone with a chance of finding someone to talk to and have fun with than it is for someone to go out to the pokies alone as the pokies is just another screen that people are addicted to and ignore the world around them when they are in front of that screen

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
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 3:16:02 PM

Submission by:
Name: Susan Anderson

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

From Brisbane, work night shift in a club in fortitude valley also frequent fortitude valley on evenings off work

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Bringing money into the economy at my work and also put money into the economy when I go out

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

Yes

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

Never had a bad experience

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Why are casinos exempt? I don't want to gamble, lose money gambling or see more people become gambling addicts. Where's the social experiences in that?

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?

Massive losses to my income and losses to my social networking time as I work night shifts

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

People drinking things they don't want

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

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?

Redicilous money grab in gambling

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?

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?

3am lockout worked did it?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Zoey Hines](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 2:04:28 PM

Submission by:
Name: Zoey Hines

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

The Family Nightclub Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Promoter

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

I promote the Family which means getting people in to have a good night out

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

Yes

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

Always a good time meeting new people and having a fun night out with friends and co-workers

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it's the worst idea, as places are going to lose money and everyone that is out drunk are going to move to the streets and start fights

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 make me lose work as people usually go out around 12am and are on a guestlist which ends around 12, resulting in losing pay.

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

People usually have more drinks after 12, to make the night go for longer and business\ will lose money from not being able to serve the popular drinks they sell

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?

Most artists that come to the business\ play around 1am. Business\ may close from not being able to get enough people/musicians in.

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?

More people will be gambling while the business that their at are gaining money, whilst others are losing a huge amount of money and business.

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?

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 fights will happen if these laws go through. If you actually go to a club you literally see people just chatting to new people and making new friends, whereas if you go to casino most people are focused on just gambling and spending money rather than speaking to people and making friends. I would not allow these laws to go through, so much more drama will start if these get approved because people will spiral out.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Dean Hamilton](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Dean Hamilton

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

I am from Brisbane and work as a promoter of local musical talent and play in bands myself. Fortitude Valley is both my workplace and recreation space.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

My role as a music event promoter relies on economically viable venues in which to host events. I bring new musical talent into this industry to grow and advance our live entertainment culture and make the night-time economy more attractive to Brisbane patrons. These proposed lockout laws will make many venues cut spending on events and will force small businesses like mine to close due to a loss of clients. Don't let another small business close in the face of insurmountable legislative pressure.

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

Yes

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

I have grown my personal and professional networks and had genuinely positive experiences with workers and patrons alike in the Fortitude Valley entertainment precinct. The venues that made these experiences possible can only exist in an economically viable legislative environment.

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The exemptions provided to casinos on the serving of drinks and unlimited use of poker machines is not a win for culture. It is a win for the Queensland Government Treasury. Do not sacrifice people and culture in favour of another dollar from a gambling addict.

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 would make my business close. Simple as that.

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Chris Lawrence

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

I'm from the Gold Coast. I work at a family nightclub, shooters nightclub, Mieplace nightclub, Gilligans.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I am a DJ and I play at a number of different venues across the state.

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

Yes

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

I personally haven't seen much violence in the venues I play at. They all have a great vibe and security is second to none if there ever is an issue. On the other hand I have seen fights at 9pm, 10pm, 11pm and so on. So I wouldn't say these lock out laws are going change anything.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I honestly don't think it will change anything. Violence happens at all times not after 3am. How about you look at why all the people are out on the streets at the same time? It's because out public transport is horrible. Our cab drivers don't want to take people home if it's a \$5 fare and it leaves people stranded. That's when fights start. On the other hand these lock outs will mean I won't work as much there for won't be able to work.

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?

100% less work.

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

Loss of money which would be a loss of jobs

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 100% know most business would not be able to trade as they are now if these laws are passed.

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 a joke.

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?

They don't.

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?

Look at the public transport issue. Look at more police on the streets.

Q: Any other comments?

Don't let a very small % of idiots ruin what is a great culture in QLD.

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From: [Kathy Page](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Kathy Page

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

Sunnybank, play in the valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Adult entertainment

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

Spending money on food, drinks and taxis

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

Yes

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

I always feel safe

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It's a waste of time and money. Nothing will change. The police will still be working all night and morning to keep the peace. There will be people loitering longer on the street because they don't want to go home. Also it will only make the casino richer as everyone will then go there.

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

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

I shouldn't be dictated the type of drinks I'm allowed to drink.

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.

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?

Bull shit! They will end up with all of the extra income.

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 dangerous

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?

Set up chill out zones like they do at festivals

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
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 1:42:06 PM

Submission by:
Name: Hannah Cockerill

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Hospitality

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

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

Yes

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

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: leigh workman

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

I'm from brisbane, I work in retail but moonlight a a cabaret/boylesque performer at venues in brisbane city/the valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

As a punter and an entertainer, the night time economy is very important to me. Not only does it help to pay my bills but it's where I spend my excess cash.

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

Yes

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

I love being about to go and dance/perform for others, I also drum up a lot of business teaching people to ballroom/latin dance in clubs which in turn drums up business for my affiliated studios.

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I think its crippling to the economy and discriminative to those who aren't beer drinking bogans.

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 time to be able to work, and limited hours to enjoy my free time.

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

As a non beer drinker, cocktails are the only thing I enjoy. Drinking is a big part of why I go out, the proposed bans would see me spend g less money on the economy and would result in me going out less.

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, there is a massive variety of people who work as performers, musicians, and barstaff in brisbanr, the reduced hours would see less time for venues to make money and therefore a massivr cit back on hours for staff and live entertainment.

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?

Pokies are a disgusting government inititive to harbour money from those who have serious addiction problems. Less money spent gambling and more money spent drinking would see better stimulation of the local economy.

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 never play the pokies, they are worthless.

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?

Legalise same sex marriage and normalise kindness, Ban football and other violent sports.

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 1:34:59 PM

Submission by:
Name: Sherwyn dutt

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

I am from St Lucia, Queensland and I enjoy watching live music in Fortitude Valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a nightclub patron and ticket purchaser for live music events

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

Yes

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

I've always found that the night-time industry is full of hospitable and accommodating characters

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Backwards policy, by shifting away patrons from clubs to casinos for alcohol and gambling there is a higher probability of violence and gambling addiction

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 lockouts would mean less live music acts coming to Brisbane to perform meaning less of a culture that Brisbane has been previously working so hard to maintain

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

it wouldnt

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?

lockout laws would mean less live music meaning less people hurting businesses and jobs resulting in patrons looking out of Brisbane for live music

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?

ridiculous, exemplary of the ill-informed and financially manipulated mindset towards the night-time economy

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 is a pillar of culture and art, versus poker machines as simply a revenue stream

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?

implement a night-time mayor to convey the requests of night-time industries to parliament

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Mandy O\Grady

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

I have been enjoying music as a patron and for work for 15 years in the Fortitude Valley Entertainment Precinct

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

DJ / Promoter / Punter

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

I bring international and national acts as well as an international class venue to patrons. Also I DJ and support the growth of young up and coming DJs

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

Yes

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

To be honest I have not run into any trouble in the last 15 years. The Valley has been responsible for the breaking of many artists as well as a creative pot of like minded enthusiasts that inspire and nurture musical pursuits.

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I think it's a band aid solution that encourages pre-loading in un safe environments such as the suburbs where there is no RSA and no security. We are effectively changing the culture but not to one that fixes the problem. Education and tougher penalties for offenders is the only way forward. We are punishing the majority for the minority and effectively killing the vibrancy of a city as well as culling thousands of jobs.

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 most likely lose my job/s and my livelihood. It would be a case of moving to Melbourne where the city is

alive with culture because they understand the importance of a good music culture. I would not be able to DJ, I would lose my full time job. It's hard enough as it is with the lock out. We would not be able to get any of the larger acts here because of the restrictions.

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

Why are we being denied our basic rights as humans to be responsible for our own actions? Why can we not responsibly enjoy our lives the way we wish because of a couple of bad people which has been exacerbated by media?

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?

You only have to look at what has happened in Kings Cross to see this is what will happen to this brilliant entertainment precinct we have built. It would be the end of the youth culture. it will open up younger people also to the gambling because the casino will be the only place to go. I've been in there, it's predatory and disgusting.

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 irresponsible and blind. It's unfair. It's punishing the majority for the minority.

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'm here for the music, the culture, enjoying cocktails and drinks with my friends. Poker machines, we have already seen that as a problem. It's opening up a whole new problem while capping people's creative freedom

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?

Tougher punishments for offenders is the only way. I watched a police show where a guy was fined \$580 and given a warning for punching someone up.

If you tell someone they can't do something... Let's be honest the rest of the world can get by with access to clubs and alcohol. Our problems keep getting worse the more we stop it the way it's going.

Tougher punishments
Education - a big one
Mandatory ID scanning in each venue to eliminate idiots

Q: Any other comments?

Please save our nightlife

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Submission by:
Name: Tayla Cooper

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

I'm from Brisbane and work at Family Nightclub and Biscuit Factory

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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

I'm a promoter for 2 very popular clubs

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

Yes

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

Hanging out with friends, having time away from work

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It's just going to make things worse, but shutting the club they are putting more intoxicated people out on the streets in the early hours of the mornings when no trains or busses are running

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

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

It will result in me taking drugs instead

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 be diminished

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?

Double standards

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?

Does not benefit me at all

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?

Don\'t have a lock out

Q: Any other comments?

Don\'t do it

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Michael Spurway

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

Brisbane, regularly visit night spots such as City, Paddington, West End & Fortitude Valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I contribute to the night economy through visiting these spots, but more importantly to the culture. Brisbane has worked hard to create an awesome night culture, known around Australia. Quality bars and clubs, great acts & music are just some of the great facets of this nightlife culture.

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

Yes

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

Every night is positive, in my four years of going out I have only had a handful of negative experiences. Education is key. Not lockouts, these are only short term. Work with the industry to develop a solution, don't just remove it all together!

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Ridiculous, and of course the evidence will support that they are successful-look at Sydney for example. Sure, alcohol related violence is down in the cross-but that is because no one goes anymore! The issue has just been relocated to Newtown, where it has destroyed that vibe. The same macho/alpha male rat bags are doing it, ruining for the rest of us, just out of sight-and out of mind for the Government and their statistics.

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?

Negatively-I don't go out till midnight, so wouldn't have much of the night left. Say goodbye to dinner with friends followed by drinks out, and to enjoying what Briabane has to offer. Wake up to yourselves and realise that this isn't the answer.

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

Wouldn't affect me too much as I am not a regular purchaser of spirits on a night out, but it will just encourage more and more drug use, as people look to continue the night when alcohol is not available for purchase.

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?

Not my local area, but certainly those locations which have venues which will be affected.

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?

Kill the culture and industry supporting these people and those places providing avenues for them to express themselves and their music.

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 understand why poker machines are around, they are just money making machines-why do you think the casino isn't affected by lock out laws, yet experiences so much violence?? It's disgusting how the Government defends this.

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 is key. A long term solution though. Harsher penalties for alcohol related violence-if you make the decision to get highly intoxicated and make a poor decision regarding antisocial behaviour, prepare to pay dearly for that. There are only a few bad apples which ruin it for the rest of this flourishing community. Also the 'bruz' culture, of steroids, sneakers and alpha male attitude needs to be addressed-in my experience it is these toasters who look for it.

Q: Any other comments?

Don't introduce these laws, you'll ruin Briabane. Not just for the locals and the nightlife, but think about tourism and everything else that will be affected. Think long and hard about other options and implementation of them before you take the easy option and sign away a great city with great culture and incredible potential. Thanks

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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 1:00:49 PM

Submission by:
Name: Kevin Lennon

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

I am Brisbane born and bred. I play in venues right across the valley entertainment precinct, the city, and both the Gold and Sunshine Coasts.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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

Billboard magazine has referred to Brisbane as \"the next Seattle\". It is quite simply a globally respected hotspot for music and entertainment. However what global experts constantly comment and and don't understand is why, unlike most other places in the world, we seem to think that sending people home early and costing the local economy so much many will do ANYTHING to curb the CULTURE of violence here.

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

Yes

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

Brisbane is better than Melbourne & Sydney. Hands down. So many amazing places in such a tight group of spots. From bands like Walken (about to explode), to Violent Soho, The Veronicas (who live in my building) & a whole swathe of other bands who will one day be on the valley mall walk of fame, we NEED this environment.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Aside from being obviously ridiculous and nanny-state-ish, they do NOTHING to address the culture of violence in Australia. Quit punishing everyone for your inability to recognise and deal with the root cause of these sorts of problems. They are the symptoms of problems well outside of the nightlife.

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 am lucky enough to have an apartment right in the valley, so I can bring friends home. But if I still lived in Yeronga, I would be rather put out by the idea of having everyone kicked out of the venues en masse right at a time when public transport is at its least efficient (if running at all, like most trains). THAT will result in violence.

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

This wouldn't affect me at all. I don't mind.

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 to all of the above. It's obvious. Less trading hours = less money = negative impact on the local economy.

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 hypocritical. If the government could tax these venues for the sort of revenue they see from casinos, we wouldn't even be having this debate.

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. Competition. Whatsoever. For a government party concerned with gambling, Labor sure is setting the casinos up pretty sweetly here.

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?

Do some damn research! Look into the cultural/root causes of this issue. Violence is a big problem in Australia, but our nightlife has NOTHING to do with it. You're just hurting people who don't deserve it and shrinking the local economy in the process. Seriously, you're either COMPLETELY blind, or pandering to special interests. WAKE UP.

Q: Any other comments?

I am SO tired of this. Why is it so hard for a government to figure out the real causes of issues and the real impacts of their decisions? I was so happy when Newman was ousted, but unfortunately nothing much appears to have changed.

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From: [Courtney Findlay](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 1:05:41 PM

Submission by:
Name: Courtney Findlay

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

Home

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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

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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?

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Steve Payne

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

I live and work in Brisbane, and am an entertainer (musician) who works within the greater Brisbane area.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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

I play music at licenced venues.

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

No

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

I have never had a negative experience. I have found that people at these venues rarely cause trouble, and well-trained security/door staff nip anything in the bud on those rare occasions when someone does step out of line.

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They are unnecessary.

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?

Venues are already predicting that this proposed move would so reduce profits that cost-cutting would occur, and that 80% of this cost-cutting is likely to be on local entertainers. My income must therefore reduce.

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

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?

It seems inconsistent.

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?

Is this a serious question? There is no logical comparison that can be made between the two.

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?

Educate people on the reasons why they should drink responsibly.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Ben Page](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:23:52 PM

Submission by:
Name: Ben Page

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

Townsville, Flinders Street.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

Vibe Control

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

Yes

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

Building relationships
Controlled party environments to let off steam
All around good times

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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There are a lot of pros and cons of the current laws and it will be the same with the new laws. The only difference is the new laws will crumble the nightlife industry. Businesses are struggling enough as it is, take away 4 hours where they potentially make the most money of the night and you will see places start to shutdown. No good. Why support gambling?

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 fun
Good on yas

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

I don't see how it helps at all.

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 question sums it up perfectly

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

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 know where I'd rather be, each to their own I guess...

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 for violent behaviour
Pill testing
Legalise marijuana

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Kate Ball](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:14:02 PM

Submission by:
Name: Kate Ball

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

Fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Bar tender

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

Yes

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

Great times!
Good place to meet friends

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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Will not stop violence. Violence is individual caused by idiots! People will just drink earlier which will be worse

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?

Job loss
Have to get Centrelink
Decline of social life

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

Less fun
Start drinking earlier

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
Business close
Vibrancy lost
Night life lost

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\'s bullshit

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 gamble. I don\'t support it

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, larger fines. Banned from valley precinct if caught

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Alana absolon](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:09:09 PM

Submission by:
Name: Alana absolon

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

Im from brisbane and i work/play at The Met

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Promoter

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

I get people into the club

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

Yes

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

Its always a good release and i have so much fun when im out.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Closing clubs earlier will only promote more excessive drug use back at peoples houses for kick ons, and considering how illegal drugs are youll only open yourself up to more over doses not being properly dealt with and more young bodies being found in bushes due to no one wanting to be blamed. Whereas if you overdose at a club ambulance are sent and the patron lives. The choice is yours.

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?

Kick ons just start earlier at someones house.

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

I personally do shots, take that away and id probably just sneak alcohol in or start taking drugs.

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?

Ofcourse there will be job losses. Ofcourse itll reduce musicians opportunities. Djs sets play for a few hours at a time starting at 1am onwards.

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?

Yeah promote gambling by rewarding patrons to drink but take away from the music industry which shapes todays youth.

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 a release emotionally and promotes socialising and poker machines and an emotionally draining task that tares families apart.

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 the way it is and make penalties for violance higher after midnight.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Divena Ball](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:00:41 PM

Submission by:
Name: Divena Ball

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

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

I provide entertainment to club goers.

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

Yes

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

The night work doesn't clash with my uni schedule. I have also built my friend group from the wonderful people who work with me and frequent the bar I work at. The Brisbane night life is my livelihood and my entire social world. People look after each other in it.

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

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The government is outright lying to itself and us if they believe this will not close down the majority of small traders. We have seen how negatively the laws have affected Sydney. Our street violence is no where near the level of Sydney, and the lock out laws there did not reduce violence as they keep saying it just shifted it. If they really are so concerned with the welfare of their citizens then apply these laws to the casinos as well.

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 new lock out laws will 100% force me into welfare. Currently I don't require Centerlink support to attend university since I am able to and enjoy working full time at a bar. The majority of my friend group has evolved

from the creative culture surrounding brisbanes vibrant night life. I\m going to have to seriously consider moving cities if the laws pass, since I will be out of work and all of my musical friends will have gone to Melbourne. It\'s already hard to keep art culture from traveling south, these laws are packing it\'s bags for it.

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

There will defiantly be less patrons frequenting my club and there fore less to no work for me. Also the terms are so ambiguous! Is a scotch on the rocks a shot? How about cocktails? These laws don\'t make senses.

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 death of Brisbane music. We struggle enough as it is, how is anyone supposed to compete when our nightlife turns into a wasteland like Sydney?

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 proves to me that this is not about keeping Queensland safe, is an poorly consider campaign promise from someone who has so concept of creative culture but still wants the support from the casinos is and rich who own it. If the laws \"won\'t affect business\" then the cassinos should be fine under them too.

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 dislike poker machines strongly as I believe they promote gambling addiction. I have many friends who would not be able to come out to these venues because they can not go near poker machines.

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 was in parliament I would impove late night public transport so people are not waiting around on the street when clubs close. This would drastically reduce street violence.

Q: Any other comments?

Please listen to your people. You were elected to represent out wants not dictate what is best for us.

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From: [Ashlyn Hoare](#)
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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 11:32:52 AM

Submission by:
Name: Ashlyn Hoare

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

I'm off a cattle property in central Queensland. One of the things I look forward to most is meeting up with my friends on days off and going to the clubs and getting home when the sun comes up. We mostly go out in Rockhampton or Toowoomba. Never once have I experienced a fight or any violence and if I've witnessed any antisocial behaviour it is always dealt with extremely quickly and the person is excluded from the clubs and most often taken to the police.

I have seen more fights in local shopping centres over food during the floods than I've ever seen on the streets on a night out.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Cattle / agriculture

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

I purchase a lot of beverages for myself and my friends. I dance and support the DJ and I always pay a taxi to take me home.

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

Yes

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

The amount of fun you can have on a night out dancing with friends, doing shots and meeting new likeminded people can't be put into words. I always have a great time at the clubs.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it would take an absolute fortune away from local economies and would only create more drama and hassle. I fail to see the extremely bad side effects of a night out. Just because some people cannot handle their alcohol and start fights or like to take drugs and ruin their lives, does not mean that everyone should be punished for their behaviour. Punish them directly, not everyone else and the industry and local economies. Imagine telling an agitated person that they can't have any more drinks after 2am. They're going to react a

lot stronger than if you told them at 5am because around 5am everyone is ready to go home anyway.

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 neighbours more than anything else. If the clubs shut early and stop serving patrons they are going to go home and drink instead of staying in licenced venues. Drunk people are known to be loud and most likely they'd turn on music, shout, dance, laugh, wake up the neighbours. Then the neighbours are going to call the police and upset the drunk people even further after they're already angry over the new lockout laws. Can you see where this is headed?

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

It would affect me that I only drink spirits. I don't apologise for being blessed with expensive taste and the only alcohol I like is top shelf liquor. If I turn to cheaper alcohols I would be mixing my drinks and getting more intoxicated. I would also be spending less money, creating less revenue for the venue I was at.

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 countless job losses, I could see venues having to close and also a great effect on local eateries that make a fortune because they stay open late specifically to serve drunk people on their way home. Taxis would also see the effects as they usually make a killing on big nights taking people all over town.

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 pokies are the most antisocial game on the planet. I have lost friends through their addiction to gambling on the pokies and fail to see how the Antisocial behaviour the pokies generates is any better than the supposed antisocial behaviour behind these proposed lockout laws.

Is it better for someone to gamble away their home, their car, their life & their friends than get drunk on \$200 and stumble to subway at 4am for a sandwich before getting a cab home?

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 live music venues employ local people and give those trying to start up a band or launch their DJ career a go. They also give people their first job as a bartender or a person the successful dream to own their own nightclub.

The community benefits through the jobs the nightclubs create. It also gives people who like to party a place to go with friends where the atmosphere is electric. These people are then spending money on food and drinks locally and the money goes back into the local economy.

Poker machines create addiction and are so detrimental to people's lives. The money is almost never going back into the community, instead going back to gaming companies.

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?

Anyone with a conviction or record of antisocial behaviour or a fine for anything linked to antisocial behaviour on a night out would have one more chance. Two strikes and you're out. Ban those who can't control themselves from local CBD venues, pubs, bars, etc. Not everyone should be punished for the foolish behaviour of a few.

Local nightclubs in my area have ban lists and check everyone's ID and scan their faces before you enter a

venue so if you are recognised by the computer as being banned, you're not allowed in. I've seen this work successfully in the past.

Q: Any other comments?

Most people when they think of the clubs and nightlife associate it with young people aged 18-25. This is not the case.

Every single night I have ever been out there have been people of all ages, I have met people at clubs that are aged 60 and over. Just because some "adults" don't enjoy the nightlife and it is associated with younger people, does not mean that those who do enjoy the nightlife cannot indulge. I've danced into the early hours of the mornings with married couples in their 40s or with 30 somethings who are on vacation.

By enforcing these lock out laws you're not only upsetting 18 year olds, you're upsetting people of all ages and people are going to lose their jobs because of it. I don't see how the positives outweigh the negatives in any way you slice it.

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 11:22:44 AM

Submission by:
Name: Daniel Ammendola

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

I'm from Brisbane, I work full time and enjoy having fun on the weekends and taking advantage of our great nightlife here.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I buy drinks and support our local artists by going to their shows in the city/valley

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

Yes

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

Every time I go out its a positive experience.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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They're taking our freedom.
We work all week, slave away to pay our bills and now we won't be able to go out and spend our weekends the way we want to.

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.

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

Sometimes I like to drink past 12am.
I live in a free country and I should be allowed to.

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 loss for young people and students who rely on night work to survive

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?

Classic government bullshit.

They like their money too much to give it up.

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?

Polar opposites.

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?

Educate people from a young age.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Clare Goodwin](#)
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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 10:44:53 AM

Submission by:
Name: Clare Goodwin

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

I'm from
Brisbane Australia. I worked in hospitality for 5 years but now am in administration. I enjoy going out to the valley and surrounding areas

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

I'm a promotion ambassador at and up
and coming music venue in the valley. I enjoy participating in the atmosphere and vibrancy of nightlife and associated entertainment

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

Yes

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

I love being around friends and enjoying music at night. I would hate to feel any kind of pressure to leave as I believe that generates more stress

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think this is absolutely appalling. This is taking away the freedom of youth and popular culture in our city which is only going to see the state of our tourism, international entertainment and sense of life diminish. Don't any of the older generations remember what it was like to be young? While I don't agree with any kind of drinking violence, perhaps a better way to combat this without taking away any opportunities for work or play from our recognised venues and patrons, would be to tighten security measures or restrictions on alcohol consumption to said intoxicated persons. It is absolutely ridiculous for the government to implement these laws and is clearly a ploy to keep making money from themselves (through casino and slot machine stakeholders) while essentially destroying the income of all other nighttime entertainment venues in Brisbane. They are

already struggling enough as it is, and with these regulations these businesses will not be able to operate without increasing drink prices (which are already way too high) and in turn, will cause members of the public to be even more hesitant to go out, and therefore will see our nightlife turn into next to nothing. It is absolutely disgusting to implement these laws and I think the Queensland government is going to have a lot to answer for from the public.

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 would affect my job, my freedom and my social life all to large extents. Australia is supposed to be a free country. I also believe that without access to alcohol more people will turn to drugs, which is absolutely irresponsible of the government to let happen

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

It would literally ruin everything

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?

See above. I foresee this as causing a trail of destruction in our nightlife and entertainment

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?

Ridiculous. Disgusting. Controlling. Selfish.

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 hate pokie machines. And I think allowing people to gamble but not drink after certain times is so obviously with the intent of the government making more money for themselves while these other venues and owners will probably be struggling to feed themselves. How sickening is that? So greedy and selfish.

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?

Tighten security on the streets as well as inside venues. Have RSA training and testing all at one level that covers the responsibility of serving alcohol in depth, including how to best approach intoxicated patrons and monitor drinking behaviour to prevent anti social situations from unfolding

Q: Any other comments?

No.

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From: [Francis Wynn](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 10:42:34 AM

Submission by:
Name: Francis Wynn

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

Fortitude Valley, Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Buy drinks when out

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

Yes

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

Always a fun night

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

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Not liking this proposal by the government at all

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 and less fun nights

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

Less fun

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?

Loss of jobs and revenue for local businesses

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 a fan

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?

Not a fan of the proposal

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Emily Buckholz](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 10:03:08 AM

Submission by:
Name: Emily Buckholz

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

I'm from a small mining town where there isn't much for us young people and we like to go to the valley, Gold Coast and Airlie Beach when we can

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Spending a lot of money

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

Yes

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

Having a good time once in a while

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Alcohol fuelled violence will only start early and people will go to house parties which will just cause more trouble

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 wouldn't spend as much money as we would go home and drink

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

Where's the fun in it all?

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?

Yeah whole atmosphere will be lost completely.

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Jayden Lipscomb](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 10:01:34 AM

Submission by:
Name: Jayden Lipscomb

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

I am a student attending UQ and living in Taringa, QLD

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a paying patron

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

Yes

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

Everyone just has a great time - it is the minority who ruin it for everyone else

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

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Hate it

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 be less inclined to go out

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

I like my drinks neat so I wouldn't be able to get that!

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 bars and clubs being hit hard by these changes - damaging local economies

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 a real injustice and just not fair at all

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 far better past time that bears minimal effect on families, unlike gambling.

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?

Clean up clubs and make them nicer

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Marlee McNeill](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 9:21:55 AM

Submission by:
Name: Marlee McNeill

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

Brisbane/gold coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

A patron and djing side of things

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

Yes

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

Making sure other patrons and friends being responsible and are being looked after.

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

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Its the most outrageous idea. The gornvement are complaining that they we have to stick to a ridiculous federal budget but they are willing introduce these laws which would have a massive impact on the australian economy! People are going are going to be irrisponsible everywhere u go. Yes it happens in nightclubs because people are under the influence but these lock out laws will proberly force people to drink quicker so they can get more drinks in before they leave! The plan has had no thought and there are so many cons then pros so the government should really think of the impact not try and come up with a stupid plan of attack against people being irrisponsible. That is something that is peoples choice!

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 was affect every chance of me getting more work. Another thing that the government needs to improve.

Unemployment rates are higher then ever!!

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

It is going to affect the whole economy!

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 because those last few hours is when night time businesses make the most money. Plus less musicians will get to play and loss work, gigs etc. The music industry is already hard enough.

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 not going to make up for the amount of money those venues are going to lose and its seems like gambling it that sense is okay but musicians arent allowed to play which is something that makes people enjoy a night out!

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?

As above your making gambling and people with a gambling problem have easier access to destroy thier lives!

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?

Educate people more!

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
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 9:16:21 AM

Submission by:
Name: Nick Murdoch

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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

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

No

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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There should be a lower amount of alcohol served passed a certain hour

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Alex North](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 8:51:15 AM

Submission by:
Name: Alex North

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

Brisbane and most weekends I will head out in fortitude valley or the city. Potentially more local smaller venues

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I will regularly head out for dinner and some drinks on week nights and weekends. I would usually stay out late but if it seems places will be shutting much earlier the excitement of a big night will be lost.

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

Yes

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Having been going out for 3 years I have only witnessed 3-4 fights half of which I would call scuffles. This is someone who is consistently out 9!out of 10 weekends. Obviously one can't be everywhere at once but I struggle to see what benefit locking people out of new venues at 1am and cutting them off at 3am will do to curb this trend that I fail to see. There will be masses trying to leave the precincts at 1am and 3am putting further strain on the already going under taxi industry, which quite frankly I avoid at all costs due to seedy, rip off, unsafe taxi drives (uber's all the way)! An influx of people to the streets all trying to use the same services to leave seems like a horrible idea. They want people to be more responsible (so shuffling them into gambling venues to drink seemed responsible) when drinking but they will just force people to the casinos where they can still drink because at the end of the day we are adults and if people want to do it they will find a way wether it be at the casino or after parties.

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?

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

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?

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 have many friends who work in the industry from bar owners/staff, to security to dj\'s to friends in bands. All these people will be hurt should the lock outs and changes come into place. I for one would not be recommending the only place to get alcohol from/be open late is a place where you can gamble

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 out, meeting new people, charring to bar staff, letting your hair down and dancing is being frowned upon more than wasting money on machines designed to take your money, suck you in from the outside world and limit your interactions with others. Please explain the logic

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 should be done in terms of cartons safe sober up areas in precincts. Safe reliable transport out of precincts at all times.

Q: Any other comments?

I have always felt safe while out and about. There aren\'t many nights where I wouldn\'t run into a couple of police who as long as you\'re doing the right thing are always friendly and up for a chat. While technically these changes wouldn\'t force people out on the streets that\'s what will happen and we can see how safe I feel then. Having already discussed the possibility of these laws with my friends already we have said we would be very likely to go out much less and have even thought about getting some recourses together to give people a chance to go out and have fun outside of these precincts and find a few sneaky ways around these laws.

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From: [Danielle Mangano](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 8:35:43 AM

Submission by:
Name: Danielle Mangano

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

Cairns. Work and play at Gilligan\'s.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

I am part of Gilligan\'s entertainment.

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

Yes

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

A lot of great nights meeting old and new friends. It\'s kept safe with plenty of security guards. Early lock outs mean everyone ends up menacing on the streets.

Q: What do you think of the government\'s major proposals?
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Not good. This is going to hurt our economy immensely. Cairns has a huge tourism backing largely due to our nightlife.

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 definitely mean less work and potentially the loss of my job. It would affect my social life negatively because I will not be able to socialise after work.

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

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?

Huge negative shift in Cairns as fewer backpackers/party people would visit.

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 can we say that gambling is less harmful than alcohol?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Melissa philp](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 8:04:13 AM

Submission by:
Name: Melissa philp

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

Gold coast .
The valley .beat nite club

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Serving alcohol making sure everyone is having a safe and good time .

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

No

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

Seeing everyone having a good time .
The music
The atmosphere
The different cultures come together to have fun and dance meeting new people

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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If it good enough for pubs and clubs its good enough for casinos only the government will loose to much revenue .thats why the targeting pubs and clubs .we have become a nanny state .the city crew should have never gone into the valley .there was little to no problems in the valley between gay community and ravers .they added the city crew its a mess .add alcohol and drugs and this is what you get .

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 wld make house parties more common .
The police clndt handle the number of complaints or fights .
Atleast in a club or pub there isnsecurity as the 1st line of defence .shorten the hrs of pubs and clubs the police
will have more issues then they have now .
I will loose money ,tips,my house ,food and wont be able to pay bills

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

Well why people want come out when clubs dnt kick off til midnite and they can stay home do shots and
cocktails and not stop after midnite .
Wld there be a point of going out .you wld be saving more money staying home and running a muck

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?

Club closing ,job loss,debt

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 bias .as the government gets revenue from pokies or casino why wld they want to hurt that industry .so hit the
pubs and clubs .its better gamble the their money away and drink then drink and dance the nite away righ ???

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?

Pokies u loose alot of money dnt really have to talk.to anyone
Club life u dance drink and mingle.

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?

Educate the young primary school.
Get offenders to do community service in rehab centres seeing what its like to bw on the reciving end of their
abuse .or what u like when ur in come down .or toll it take on your body

Q: Any other comments?

Unless the government is making money .they dnt care about the pubs and clubs unless they have pokies.
How bout educate and better punishments instead of slap on wrist and cutting hrs

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From: [Brenton blades](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 7:41:39 AM

Submission by:
Name: Brenton blades

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Adrian Linssen](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 7:34:55 AM

Submission by:
Name: Adrian Linssen

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

I am from the Sunshine Coast Qld. Due to work as a interstate truck driver I am seldom home but when I am I like to relax and enjoy my spare time.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Patron.

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

Yes

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

I am a 31 year old male. I first started going out when I was 18 in Brisbane and have loved nearly all the nights I had ever been out. I don't get the chance to very much any more due to work commitments and family but when I do I can say it's always been great. I have made many a friend over the years the ones for life, and never had a issue as such. I love the music, and can sit there all night and listen. Joyful atmosphere of people having fun and enjoying all there is to love of a great night out!!!

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I have never understood how lockouts and a early drink cut off law would be a benefit. Yes there are people out there that want to fight and create violence, and to be truthful no matter what you do you will never stop this. Alcohol fueled, drug infused or any other reason to be violent, some people just look for a start to that argument. It's the sign of times that violence is on the decline, police presence, tougher penalties although not just based on a early close. I think it's a horrible thought that some people who think this is the only way to tackle a problem (that will never be demolished) is to shut down so many things. People forget they were young once too. Maybe they forget the time in the 50s 60s where pubs shut at 6? And the amount of domestic violence back then. I believed police said how much better it was when pubs opened up till 10 so the men

didn't binge drink in the last half hour, get all boozed up and stumble home. Same thing will happen in a club. Half an hour before midnight there will be shits lined up from one end to the other with people getting there fix. I can see that will really help the public. It won't.

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 only affect me when I'm out. If I choose to have a night out I wish to leave when I'm ready, have my drinks as I feel like (and I am not a big drinker), and listen to my friends Dj. Who of which some finish at 5. So the main reason for me even heading out will no longer be there. Which is sad. I enjoy the music.

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

No more shots or hard liquor? No problem for some Ever sculled a bottle of wine? Seen people smash down a bourbon then half a dozen beers? People will just do something else to get there buzz. And make more of a mess.

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?

Everyone is talking about "Sydney". Prime example. It didn't work. It won't work. You can't push people into a unfair corner and expect all good to come out of it. It will affect everyone in the industry (except for casinos by the sound of it). From Club owners, to patrons, to staff to the thousands of police that will have to deal with a lot more unhappy people. Not to mention all the house party complaints after 3. Will there be a ban on shots in the home at that time too? Lockout from your front door at one? I do not think this is a very smart part for Queensland.

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?

Says it all in a couple of sentences. Must be money coming in there somewhere for a benefit to some people, or they would be under the same ruling. I am sure there are a lot of people in this world with gambling problems too. That just doesn't affect 2 people having a fight on a night, that just affects people's kids, husbands/wife's. Loss of homes and all possessions. Although throw in a few drinks, loss of a weeks wage on the pokies and I wonder what some Blokes will be thinking when he walks out at 4am. Probably Alot different then another Bloke that just left a club at 5am after having a great night with friends and listening to music.

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?

Ever been in a casino and watched people sitting there?
Ever seen a group of friends In a venue sitting there?
I don't think that needs any explaining.

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?

This is hard for everyone. I wouldn't know what to do in parliament if I was there. But obviously the backlash and negativity on this proposal would make me think that something was wrong with it. To have this much talk would have to make me sit down and talk through plans.

There wasn't as much drama though when there was no lockouts?

Better taxi ranks or ways to get out of there quicker?

Police presence is hard to get more of, but it certainly stops people doing stupid things?

Better judgment of people getting overly drunk and still buying drinks at the bar, or get given drinks on the table when they are really drunk?

Everyone needs to pull together to help with this. Owners, staff, patrons, police, security. But this is defiantly a step in the wrong direction for Queensland.

Q: Any other comments?

Please don't ruin our freedom. There are not many things left in this world to enjoy. Don't take away a good night out due to the stupidity of some people. Those people will still be there. We will never stop them. We can only hope to discourage them.

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 7:28:41 AM

Submission by:
Name: Kim Simonsen

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

living at west end and enjoy the music an bars around here and the valley mainly

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Going out, having dinners, drinks, listening to live music

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

No

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

meeting friends, discovering new bands, relaxing after working hard in my own business.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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i think it is a knee jerk reaction to a problem is overstated. I think with better public transportation through the night there would be no problem at all. You will always hav e some issues when you put 50 to 100k people into a limited area, wheat her it be the football or the valley, but it is part of life. I like how Brisbane has grown, but would hate to see it stunned by silly laws like this.

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?

Not personally, I'm now 55 yo and don't stay out to the early hours all that often any more, but my kids do and they should be allowed to.

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

again not me personally, but I'm sure younger people will like to have that choice

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, it will be devastating

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 can you not feel that it is silly, unfair, and politically motivated?

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 the pokies, so no comparison there

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?

improve transportation out of party area's. More smaller venues.

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: Jack Conway

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

Brisbane. I enjoy a night out on occasions for a few drinks before 12. I don't want to see things too congested early on in the night and ruin my time.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Buying drinks

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

Yes

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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No shots or straight spirits after 12am is a terrible proposal and one that controls people there is no longer a freedom in this state

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 social life and the enjoyment I get when I go out.

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

It is very restrictive and limits what I am allowed to do. There will be too much control and no freedom as a human being

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 questions. The real question is how much of a loss will there be and can this be quantified for the government in a cost-benefit analysis?

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?

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?

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 see why there is a need to change things. A bigger police presence of walking the streets would prevent most incidents.

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 7:12:22 AM

Submission by:
Name: Teagan Ellis

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

Gold Coast, QLD I work at a resort in surfers paradise and also play in surfers paradise

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Customer, supporting the night time economy every weekend after a long week at work

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

Yes

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

Amazing nights, makes me love life and believe I'm living the last few teen years to the fullest

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Horrible we are gonna lose thousands of dollars in to our night time economy and so many are going to lose jobs when we have very little jobs available at the moment.

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 loss of freedom and see many friends lose hours and maybe there jobs

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

Some times I may not get out till 11 - 12 so I may not be able to by a drink I love because of not being able to

get th re earlier

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 job losses, business closing down

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 wrong why should some business be able to serve alcohol or play pokies all night but others can\'t.

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 7:11:03 AM

Submission by:
Name: Rachel Bentley

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

Brisbane. Fortitude Valley (work). City, Valley, South Bank, West End (play).

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Patron

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

Yes

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

Too many to count but basically fun, awesome nights out with friends.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The governments proposal is absolutely ridiculous. This will ensure people will preload at home even more as they will have less time to drink out. Once again cab lines will be out of control at a certain time. We are reinforcing to the rest of the country that Qld is a nanny state. The previous governments approach has been successful and the fact that the current government ministers have suggested you can 'go for a flutter' on the pokies and the casinos are exempt is clearly a narrow minded approach focused on ensuring revenue raising is still more important than 'safety'.

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's a loss of freedoms and pointless. The people who have been 'consulted' are clearly people who've not been out in a long time and only know what they see from the media. Once again we are pandering to the

lowest common denominator.

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

The proposed rules are very confusing as to what will be banned and what won't. At the end of the day it is the amount you consume not the type of drinks. Bar and pub owners take the responsible service of alcohol very seriously due to the huge fines. This system seems to work well.

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 on all counts. Look at Kings Cross.

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 disgraceful.

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 government had one policy when they came into power unexpectedly and therefore are trying to stick to it as well as please the AHA.

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. This is part of a cultural problem. Australia is a nation of big drinkers and the best way to get to the root of the cause (rather than try and "treat") the symptom is through early education. Police presence is important of course. There are plenty of volunteer organisations willing to work with you eg red frogs.

Q: Any other comments?

Please rethink this. It's not the answer. The majority of people go out and have an awesome night and go home safely. Why punish everyone for the few who do the wrong thing.

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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 7:03:31 AM

Submission by:
Name: Hollee hart

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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

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Ridiculous

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?

How about you make Netflix free and then everyone can just stay at home

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

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 have all closed in my region, this is only going to make it harder for people attempting to enter the market

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?

Bullshit, all about money

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 6:56:51 AM

Submission by:
Name: James Cooper

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

From Brisbane, I work on James Street in Fortitude Valley and live in the area as well. I also enjoy socialising with my friends in this area, although I also like spending time in many of the other inner city entertainment precincts. It's not always in the evening, but sometimes that's the only time my friends and I are not working. We don't always just hit up bars, we like going to restaurants as well.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Fine wine retail

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

I work on the retail side of a wine bar. My job is to make sure people have an excellent wine list to choose from (awarded best wine bar list in both Queensland and Australia). To me this is about culture, not getting people drunk. Wine has been an integral part of human cultures for the last 8000 years and I take it very seriously. My work supports the growers and winemakers, usually these are small businesses that make up important parts of Australia's rural industries, many of them are environmentally sustainable businesses as well. As a retailer I'm also a cog in our capitalist economy. I also play my small little part by putting my money back into the economy by buying wine and going out to restaurants and bars with my friends, this isn't the reason we go spend our money in this was of course, we do that for the enjoyment we get being social.

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

Yes

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

In 10 years of going out or working within the night-time economy I have had so many enriching experiences. I've met so many people, made so many friends, fallen in love with both girls, restaurants, bars and bands. I've been culturally enriched by all these things, possibly even spiritually enriched too. It also happened to be conducive to increasing my love and passion for good wine and food, this has lead me into a career that I find incredibly interesting and rewarding, one that's only just taking off now and will take me on many adventures over the next 60 years (hopefully).

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Firstly I think that it's not the government's place to be treating the citizens like children, we are responsible adults, probably more responsible than many of those that sit in parliament. Secondly, I think it is utterly disgusting that the government is trying to push gambling onto the people of Queensland! With the only place left to go being a casino that will continue to serve already intoxicated people alcohol and provide them with only gambling as 'entertainment' you are going to cause people to lose their money and quite possibly form an addiction that will ruin their lives. If the government actually cared about the safety of the citizens participating in the night-time economy then they would realise that the current solution of heightened police presence is actually working, the precincts are safe, alcohol fuelled violence is at an all time low. Realise that nothing can ever be perfect and that all you can do in a world with so many variables is to manage any of the risks there are.

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 could very well hurt my job, I wouldn't lose it but the business I work for would have a slump in revenue. This could lead to some of the staff in the bar/restaurant losing their jobs however, most of whom are students who can only work at night. I also believe the proposed laws are an infringement of my rights and those of the citizens, they are draconian and ill conceived, put together as some knee jerk reaction to an imagined problem. These laws would affect my social life considerably, my friends and I can only socialise at night because we work during the day, we like going to restaurants and bars amongst other forms of entertainment. Fundamentally, I believe these proposed laws are not in the best interests of the citizens, the economy, our culture and somewhat ironically the Labor government as it will negatively affect many of the people who voted them in, the youth!

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

It would get in the way of me being free to live my life in the way I want to, which is perfectly well within the law by the way.

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?

Since I live in New Farm and work in Fortitude Valley I can very easily see that it will affect the vibrancy of the area and hurt the economy, which would be a shame considering how much money has been invested into the multitude of high rise apartment buildings that are currently being built in the area. I foresee small businesses closing (these are amongst the most responsible venues) and jobs being lost, mostly those of young people who are finding it hard enough to get work as it is. The local live music scene is thriving like never before, the proposed laws will damage this valuable piece of our city and our state's culture.

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 something I find completely and utterly disgusting! The government should be hanging it's head in shame for even thinking this, let alone actually trying to promote pokies as an alternative and better form of entertainment, it actually makes me sick to my stomach.

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?

Cultural enrichment and social interactions vs gambling addictions and a loss in social contact...hmmm I wonder which one is better for the community.

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 continue what we are currently doing since it's working. However, I would also like to see people who are charged with assault (not just the alcohol fuelled but in everyday situations as well) to actually be punished, every other week you hear about people getting a slap on the wrist for these sorts of crimes. I would also take steps to create more entertainment, more live music, more art, more things to do, if people are actually enjoying their surroundings and spending time with the people around them they will drink less and be happier people in general, this could only be good for society. I would also put money into educating the youth about the cultural significance of food and beverages, make them see alcohol as one of the many pieces of social interaction, not just as the drug you use to be social.

Q: Any other comments?

I think I've been thorough enough.

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Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 5:39:07 AM

Submission by:
Name: James sheather

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

Golf coast.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Bartender courtesy bus driver

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

Yes

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

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

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Doesn't work

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:58:30 AM

Submission by:
Name: Cain Grant

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

Gympie Qld
Dj in Local Bars

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

As a working DJ my role is to keep customers dancing and to give them a great night out in the one venue thus drumming up business in the venues I work in.

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

No

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

Hard workers need to party hard it's a release that's much needed for couples, workmates, mates and family alike, I see so much positive influence on a nightly basis. I've met some life long friends, customers/workers You get to know Security/Police in your local area and Owner Operators of many venues (great networking)

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

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The no shots/straight spirits after 12 thing will not change anything greatly, with the price of alcohol these days people are drinking at home before heading out and buying cheap when they out also I can see this leading to more problems in the long run (Binge Drinking up to 12am on the spirits RTD's etc.)

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 cut my shifts short.

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

People like to indulge in a better quality beverage (For themselves and to share) if the bars not making money nor will I and when you think about it that's where the money is made..I mean the price of a standard RTD these days!!

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 I foresee happening.

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 not fair trading too me

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 not my thing and I don't care for them simple.

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?

Some business are running there venues like childcare centers with owner behavior to blame, advertisements, specials that liquor licensing would shut down a venue for..

bar staff need to hand out more water, free bottled water in these venues. This should be hand in hand with alcohol. Strict dress code will do wonders in behavior, lets stop advertising to kids and bring back a gentleman/ladies nightlife in venues (your 18 now and this is how you should act) there needs to be security trained in mediation and other ways to take on a calmer approach to anti-social behavior.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Daniel Kirkpatrick](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:07:01 AM

Submission by:
Name: Daniel Kirkpatrick

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

Gympie qld Own the Tremors Nightclub

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Owner of a nightclub

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

We provide a safe Supervised enviroment for people to have a night out.

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

No

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

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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I feel that the 1 am lockout and 3am finish is ok for the samller country towns like us. Not just safe night precients. In our town there has only been 2-3 night we wished we had a 5am licence as people have had enough by 3am. I myself have been out in Brisbane and have been wanting to go home just before 3. We operate like this now (1Am Lockout 3am shut) and works fine, have virtually no violence as patrons know they have to be in and the crowd disperses over the last half hour of trade. Shots after Midnight I dont have a problem with. Bottle shops- Well in my opinion this is where the trouble is. We cant serve one drink if the patron is intoxicated, but can be a passenger in a car go to a drive thru and get possibly anothe 24+ drinks. Why can the casinos trade 24hrs of the day is my question.

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 am lockout is fine like I said in our smaller towns, Cities, well another story. People are at the Gold Coast, Brisbane to have a great time. Alot of people who live and work in the city dont finish work until late etc. And yes it will shut down venues and job losses will happen.

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

Well we would probably have to shut down if we couldnt serve a bourban and coke style of drinks. But can get from the bottle shop and have 50 drinks unsupervised at home!!

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 we probably would have to shut down as we are a small business, this would effect us dramatically.

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?

Whats good for the goose should be good for the Gander. If one hand has to cease trade, why doesnt the other hand have to.

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?

At least people interact at Nightclubs etc. Not everyone goes out to punch on. Poker machines well people will spend more money, hurt the family budget and cause more domestic violence due to the stresses. At least in a venue we can stop the excess spending due to intox etc.

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 make everyone that is on the dole have Drug Tests to get their payment. This would help stop the Violnce as Its not just the Alcohol its whats mixed with it. This wuld also help stop the ice epidemic as if the people tested positive they wouldnt be able to get their centrelink payments, then wouldnt be able to by these drugs.

Q: Any other comments?

I thought the Government was all for Job Creation, Not detroy and Industry that Employs a massive amount of people. There will be Job losses in our venue!!!

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Tuesday, 15 December 2015 12:00:20 AM

Submission by:
Name: Thomas Lumsden

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

I live in Enoggera, Brisbane. I regularly travel to Fortitude Valley and the City on weekends.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a consumer.

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

Yes

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

The amount of positive friends and people I have encountered on late nights during Brisbanes nightlife Make these new laws absolutely ridiculous to me. There is violence and antisocial behaviour in all walks of life, unfortunately. Do not penalise the punters.

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

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The hipocracy astounds me. If these laws go through, any faith in the the party I may have had will be completely lost.

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 a GROSS infringement on freedoms and free choice.

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

Adults should have the right to decide for themselves what drinks they will or will not consume at any given time in a licenced premises. People that break the law should be dealt with separately. DO NOT penalise innocent revelers .

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?

Just look at Sydney. Disaster. Enough said.

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 hipocrisy at its finest. I have no words.

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 is self explanatory.

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 police presence is the most important tool. I spend nearly every weekend in the Valley as it is, and I can honestly say that I never feel unsafe.

Q: Any other comments?

Consider the rights of the majority that are doing the right thing. Please.

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From: [Jennifer Ball](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 11:06:56 PM

Submission by:
Name: Jennifer Ball

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

I am originally from Sydney but now own property in Brisbane and Bundaberg

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I enjoy being able to go out at night with a group of people

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

Yes

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

I think Brisbane has only quite recently made a Great Leap Forward as a vibrant and interesting city because it has just reached that critical point where there is enough entertainment and employment to keep the younger people here. They no longer feel they need to move to a bigger city for excitement and opportunity

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

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These hours seem ridiculous in a global economy. We should be looking to 24 hour availability in all areas of business. No business today can hope to compete without this. World wide this is the trend. I spend a lot of time living overseas. I am currently in the Middle East and Europe people are used to sleeping during the day and then starting a night out at 10 pm or later. They would barely finish dinner and then they would be locked out!

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 with international students. Their biggest complaint about Brisbane is that everything closes so early!

And that is without the lockout laws. International students are a huge part of the Economy in Brisbane. But we will only attract them if we have an interesting nightlife. And by night life I mean night not afternoon! I know most of my students go home after school and sleep for several hours and then go out. I believe these laws will have an immediate negative impact. I also think as we see many of the interesting small venues close (as has happened in Sydney) Brisbane will become more boring and therefore less attractive to international students.

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

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?

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 shameful part of this proposed law. It shows that the government is not acting for moral reasons as it is pretending

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 playing poker machines. I do t know why we still have them at all.

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?

Of course there are no easy answers to this but actual culture must be the key. Small venues tend to promote the arts on a more local Le el. They are also more conducive to intimate socialising in small groups where real friendships and conversations can happen. This is very different to the big venues. Substance abuse is always a problem but locking it out does not address it. If anything it makes it harder to address. I fear that problem drinkers wil simply buy the alcohol and drink at home. They are likely to drink more be kiss they will have bought a whole bottle to take homeThey will not, therefor be less violent but their partners and children will be in greater danger. Has anybody looked at the statistics for domestic violence after the lockout laws in the supposedly good eve of Sydney and Newcastle? How about drink driving because youn people have nowhere to go?

Q: Any other comments?

This is an attempt to appear to tack some ugly parts of the Australian character but it is not fooling anyone. It is a way for big donors like the gambling groups to make more money. Put some real effort into education and support around the issues of substance abouse and violent behaviour. Support the arts and the entertainment industry so people can afford to patronise them. Most of all provide safe fast transport to and from venues .

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From: [Keeran Gamauf](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 10:21:34 PM

Submission by:
Name: Keeran Gamauf

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

I'm from Townsville and I work at the Mad Cow as a security Guard

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Night Club Security Guard

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

Security Guard

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

Yes

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

Having a good social life and meeting so many different people and learning from their stories and their advice.

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

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I'm not too pleased !!!

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 my hours and wages being cut down and would affect the way I go about my week.

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

That aspect wouldn't really affect me.

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 a lot of people losing their jobs and businesses closing down to lack of revenue

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 totally unfair and all I can say is good luck to the casino's because they will be dealing with all the nonsense if these laws go through

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 different experiences and to have one of those cut down so you can enjoy it as much is definitely going to have a large impact

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 policing on the night club strips and rules that target individuals rather than times of operations for businesses

Q: Any other comments?

These laws are stupid and will not work if they are implemented and it's only a matter of time before they realise that they have made a mistake.

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From: [Brooke McInnes](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:43:25 PM

Submission by:
Name: Brooke McInnes

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

I live on the Gold Coast and work in a high pressured job. I like to be able to know that in my spare time, I can enjoy the freedoms of the nightlife without a curfew. Be it drinking or dining, it's a wonderful way to relax and getting out and about. Without a nightlife, it seems pointless to try and drive tourism if everyone needs to be off the streets by 2am. It is unfortunate of all the crime etc that happens, however, this is a city, where people come and go and having lock out laws will kill the atmosphere that has been generating work and income for many decades.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

A socialite - where business, entertainment and relaxation is important to me.

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

Yes

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

I have made amazing friends and been able to cater and entertain for people. I have also had the opportunity to discover more about the city, and enjoy the freedom to be able to do anything.

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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It will entice people to drink more in a non controlled setting, going out and drinking more in a short amount of time, leading to potentially more crimes or disorderly behaviours. If it is in a controlled setting, and managed efficiently, there should be no need for 'last drinks' - it also does not seem like a fitted solution for casinos to be exempt - wouldn't that defeat the entire purpose of controlling alcohol and just shifting the issue to Casinos instead?

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 freedoms and social life would suffer.

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

It would set more limitations, which would make me feel annoyed, as the loss of being able to enjoy social outings with friends would be very limited

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Jesse Joosten](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:35:53 PM

Submission by:
Name: Jesse Joosten

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

I am from brisbane and I currently find happiness and source of income from working as a drag queen at brisbane clubs.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

I am a drag queen entertainer.

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

Yes

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

I have never had a negative experience. All my experiences have been positive, friendly staff/patrons, good clubs, etc.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Absolutely terrible idea. Will cause nothing but negative backlash.

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 a loss of some source of my income as well as my loss of freedom and escape outlet I get by being able to enjoy the brisbane nightlife.

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

It will cause the clubbing social experience to drop immensely causing me and my fans who enjoy what I do to not want to attend or if so they will not want to stay due to being unable to continue to social drink with their friends after as early as midnight which is ridiculous.

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 plenty of business closes and losing their incomes. As well as I see the interest to tourists dropping as their would be no vibrant and fun nightlife to attract people with.

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?

Hipocritical and the government is just after more money for themselves.

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 gambling addictions and violent money loss fueled rages occur whilst I'm out enjoyin social community drinks at a nightcluc/live venue.

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 a better police patrol system within the night areas.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Maja Korver](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:25:45 PM

Submission by:
Name: Maja Korver

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

Dutch born Australian, have lived in most capital cities in Australia and some regional areas. Home based medical transcriptionist. Divorced sole parent of two young adults who are presently working overseas. I enjoy a night or two out a week in town, an NBL basketball game, some drinks, music and dancing at the local clubs.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Attend the Convention Centre for NBL games.
Buy dinner after the games some nights.
Attend our team\'s after game party at a bar in the Casino.
Attend other bars/clubs (depending on where I feel the good music is) following the after game party in order to continue celebrating/commiserating and just have fun.
Have a bite to eat before going home.
Catch a cab home.
Catch a bus into town the next night to collect my car.

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

Yes

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

Being able to freely and safely move around the city\'s night spots to be able to enjoy the local and other bands and DJs, depending on mood and my and friends\' preferences. My town is a Safe Night Precinct and it is a great place to go out into at night.

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

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I do not agree with any of the above. It was bad enough when the 3 am lock out was imposed over the 5 am

closing across the board.

I feel our freedom of movement is being restricted enough already. Leave the hours as they are.

My town is a Safe Night Precinct and all involved work together to make it that way.

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 it would result in less work and job losses for those in the industry.

It definitely results in our loss of freedom. We don't need a nanny state.

I sometimes go into town later in the evening to socialise and it would make me think twice about if it is worth going at all. This in turn would affect my mental health as it is good to be out and having fun.

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

With the RSA in place, these bans are not necessary.

I only like to drink certain alcoholic drinks and my freedom to choose what I wish to drink needs to be upheld, as it does for everyone.

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 of the above! It would be terrible to have these impositions, especially when our town is already a Safe Night Precinct.

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 do not care to play pokies but it is ridiculous to have a rule for one and to split the rules, all these rules imposing on our freedoms.

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 like discussing chalk and cheese. It's just ridiculous to compare the two.

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?

Our town already is a Safe Night Precinct so it has been proactive for some time in this regard. Antisocial behaviour often starts in childhood, adverse family situations and dysfunctional families, so it needs to be addressed much earlier, in primary school, high school and communities.

The police are sometimes too aggressive in their manner and approach and this will rile some people to the point of feeling victimised, which I do not think is what the police should do. Some club security guards are the same.

These police/security actions could lead to confrontation and antisocial behaviour quite easily. Adhering to the RSA should address this issue in venues.

A lot of people drink in their homes prior to venturing into town for entertainment. Education on responsible alcohol consumption should be mandatory in all schools and parents certainly have a responsibility too.

Q: Any other comments?

I am tired of impositions being put upon our freedoms.

These will greatly affect us negatively with job losses, closure of venues, reduction of ambience and the bottom line is less money being earned and spent in the local economy. We cannot afford it and don't want it.

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From: [David Best](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:24:41 PM

Submission by:
Name: David Best

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

I live at Clayfield in Brisbane. I am 46 years old. I do not drink. I occasionally go out in the City, the Valley, Spring Hill, the Gold Coast (Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach) as well Cairns and Townsville when I travel for work. Although I do not drink - I still like to go to bars / pubs that stay open late.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I do not personally play a significant role in the night time economy but I would like to know it is there if do go out.

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

Yes

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

I think there is vibrancy in areas like the Valley on a Saturday and Sunday night.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The Government has had a 3am lock out from over 10 years. I would like to see the evidence as to why this approach is not working. I am sure that having this measure in for over 10 years that someone in Government has been keeping statistics on '\alcohol related violence' since the this measure was introduced. If the Government is saying that a 1am lock out is required - it must have proof that the 3am lock out is not working. I also think that the 1am lock out if effective closing as you cannot leave and go somewhere else. I would also like to know what the Government is doing about all of the jobs that will be lost if they introduce this measure. Will there be training available for those who lose their jobs? I thought this Government was about creating jobs - not getting rid of them!

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 not effect me personally. However - this is not all about me. I think the Government is punishing the younger generation. This measure will make this city so boring. It struggles now. Look at Sydney - what was once a vibrant city nightlife is now plain boring. It will mean job losses. I thought this Government was about creating jobs. Also - where is the evidence that the current 3am lock out is not working. I went out for a lot of years in my 20s when there was NO lock out at all! I still have not seen any publications that display these measures effectively reduce violence. I am also disappointed that a Labor Government is introducing such a measure.

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

Again - does not effect me personally. But I think one big thing lost in all of this is that drinking will start earlier. Shots will start earlier. Just because you stop shots at midnight does not mean people will not get drunk or super drunk.

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 make the Brisbane night economy very boring. More young people will leave the State to go more vibrant areas such as Melbourne. And yes I see businesses closing.

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 gambling led entertainment recovery. I do not think this will work at all. I cannot imagine anyone wanting to stay out til 5am to play the pokies. In fact I think it is quite irresponsible.

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?

As above - poker machines usually effect the most vulnerable. It will mean more people who already have gambling problems will have more hours to gamble. I think this is irresponsible.

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 there has been a reduction in the last few years via some of the strategies already introduced. I do not really see any evidence to suggest why a change is required now.

Q: Any other comments?

I think the Government should look at a compromise on this issue. Why not go with a 2am lock out and 4am last drinks. I personally still do not see the point of lock outs at all. I think the Government needs to be more consultative.

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:09:06 PM

Submission by:
Name: Nikki Kramer

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:56:24 PM

Submission by:
Name: Ashleigh Stainer

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

From Brisbane and work in hardware and tend to go out on Saturdays with friends and family

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Retail industry but friends work in bars

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

Patron

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

Yes

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

I believe it is a positive vibe majority of the time but as the police patrol the area to get the few that aren't on their behaviour it leaves the other patrons happy and also helpful towards others

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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As apart of the community I believe it's diminishing people's jobs. Although some of the new proposals are good towards patrons such as other operational things to do like pokies. But in the end the government still rely on money and most of the economy rates are from pokies and alcohol

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 and social life I work long hours so it's hard to get to these places by an earlier time

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

I don't mind the ban on drinks as I try and save my money at the bar but for some it will ruin their likeliness to have fun

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 don't live locally so not much besides a lot of people or teenagers relying to other resources and possibly taking these parties to the streets or their houses which can get out of control

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 unfair for the business owner

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 music , the people and the interaction with friends are what makes the valley it's not as bad as people think it is. I don't drink and I still have a great time.

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'd restrict patrons who have or are Incable of functioning in a respectable manner to be refused. Police in nightclubs would possibly make it safer but ultimately there should be breathalysers for teens to know if it's to high and will also stop them from driving

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Tony Paul](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:47:02 PM

Submission by:
Name: Tony Paul

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

Fortitude valley, Brisbane. Food industry (wholesale) I live, work and play in my city.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Wholesale food

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

My partner and I are the perfect example of the \"executive, social consumer\" we are the foodie. We dine and enjoy our cities nightlife and to have it ruined with ridiculous law is unforgiving.

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

Yes

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

Having the \"freedom\" to enjoy our nightlife& not have it ruled& enforced like we're prisoners for enjoying what we work hard for. Our social freedom, leave it alone!!

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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This is DISGUSTING!! SHAME ON YOU government!!
How much is the under table casino deal? Who's the polly that scored well in this deal??

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 it will affect social nightlife. In fact all the above, results speak for itself, check out kings cross these days, how's that going?

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

It's not the drinking or quantity that's the problem. It's the invasion of our freedom that's the issue. F***ck off & leave us alone, we're adults and we have the right to be treated as an adult if we do wrong. Not prisoned with more legislation.

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?

Kings cross Sydney. Result was a complete fail of government rule and testament of not listening to the people.

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?

Gamble people!! Cause that's the right behaviour.

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?

Big coin in pokie machines.

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 alone & fine people more for doing the wrong thing.

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:37:48 PM

Submission by:
Name: Taeve Kieth

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

I work in construction and listen to live music anywhere i can

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I spend most of my money on going out for live music

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

Yes

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

Music is very important for your soul

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Terrible. Huge loss of personal freedom. It should be a person's own responsibility to know when to stop drinking. Also, what if one finished work at 1am and wanted to have a drink afterwards?

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 impact the gold coast economy. Our main industry is tourism....

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

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?

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?

Complete hypocrisy!

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Belinda Simmons](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:31:09 PM

Submission by:
Name: Belinda Simmons

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

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I regularly eat out late, go to gigs, night clubs and club gigs.

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

Yes

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

I have had some of the best times of my life out at gigs and clubs, more often than nights these nights start at 11pm and finish at 5am.

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

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I think these proposals are a knee jerk reaction and essentially a band aid to alcohol related violence. The issue would be better dealt with adjusting the culture around alcohol consumption. These laws will destroy the night life and Brisbane music scene. The fact that these laws also make exemptions for casinos and pokies is abhorrent. Encouraging gambling is not a solution to alcohol related problems.

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 would destroy our music scene. We have enough trouble getting international acts here as it is. International dance acts are not going to come and play in a town where they have to be done by 3am. Most clubs in Europe don't even open 12 midnight or later. This nonsense legislation will cement our reputation as a

nanny state.

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

I am an adult. If I want to have a cocktail, I should be able to order one at any time of the evening.

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 result in job losses, club/venue closures, reduced opportunities for musicians and the total destruction of any real nightlife we have in Brisbane.

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 disgusts me. It makes no sense; let's kill off the music scene in favour of businesses that prey on the gamblers. Great idea Queensland. They are essentially trading problems with one vice (alcohol) in favour of much more insidious and damaging one.

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?

They don't compare. I have no interest spending my evenings gambling.

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 we need to focus on education initiatives. Perhaps forcing offenders to attend some sort diversion program as part of their sentencing.

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:23:57 PM

Submission by:
Name: Chae Newbury

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

I'm recently 18 and a newly recruited sales woman. I work 10 hour days all week so I love to spend my weekends having fun! The bill that is being passed in my opinion is ridiculous. You're always going to get people who ruin things for everyone else no matter what the law is and ruining it for sensible people like me who know how to have fun is extremely irritating.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am just a normal person who knows how to have fun without being an idiot!

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

Yes

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

There are silly people everywhere you go. No matter what the law you will always get idiots. I love going out and always have a great time.

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

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, my friends and I always have a great time and love to crawl to different clubs, the lockout would definitely affect us.

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

I am not a massive drinker but I do like to have a drink atleast every hour and that would definitely affect my time out.

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?

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?

\Oh hello,\ located in fortitude valley in Brisbane is a retro club which is my absolute favourite, I would be very disappointed if the laws were changed.

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 poker machines.

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 security, undercover police in the clubs.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Lee-Anne Rice](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:07:03 PM

Submission by:
Name: Lee-Anne Rice

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

I work later hours and the city is where I go out to .

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a consumer of the night time economy.

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

Yes

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

Having a later night life allowed me to work later and still socialise with friends.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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This will only drive me towards quick fixes such as drugs. When alcohol is not served many people will resort to illicit drugs.

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 definitely result in less freedom leading to more people travelling overseas to gain a better nightlife experience. More people will lose jobs and companies will lose revenue.

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

Certain drinks past 12 am will only lead to more people doing drugs . This will lead to more anti-social behaviour.

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?

With longer trading hours multiple shifts can filled by different staff members. Hence, changes of trading hours will mean less staff needed. Musicians will also have limited hours and clubs will no longer feel like a place to relax and let loose rather a racing time to drink and consume as much alcohol before 12 am and if this does not succeed take the quick fix by using drugs instead.

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 not fair as local artists will lose their income and the government will support an even bigger problem gambling.

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 feel poker machines have any benefit to anyone.

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 enforce tougher laws on such behaviour. Promote social behaviour . Restrict repeat offenders from attending social venues.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Brennan Cockburn](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:58:29 PM

Submission by:
Name: Brennan Cockburn

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

Brisbane fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Buy drinks

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

No

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

Going out with friends

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

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Terrible

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 negatively and loss of freedom

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

If you were to arrive late you wouldn't be able to order what you would normally want at 10pm

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 that djs especially would suffer

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 will promote gambling which is something that should be not encouraged

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?

So much better as the club scene is a great way to meet people and go out with your mates. If i go to the casino it will be a minimal part of my night out

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?

Crack down harder on illegal drugs that is the main problem

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Michael Higgins](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:43:22 PM

Submission by:
Name: Michael Higgins

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

I am from Brisbane, live in Fig Tree Pocket. I have my own business. I like to enjoy going out on weekends around Brisbane to see local bands.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I purchase drinks from bars and would like to continue doing so without lockout laws in place.

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

Yes

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

Plenty! I enjoy seeing local, original bands and afterwards visit some low key bars in the early hours of the morning.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Pathetic. The problem will worsen as a result of these laws.

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?

Total loss of freedom. It's a nanny state. We need to avoid these kinds of measures at all costs. Yes my social life will be affected negatively.

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

I like to enjoy spirits when I go out!

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 lot\'s of job losses as a result of this and businesses closing definitely. Brisbane is turning into a great cultural city. These laws will have a negative impact on its development. Opportunities for musicians will be reduced & an opportunity for the city as a whole to grow as a cultural hub will be impacted.

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 pathetic. Gambling is far more unhealthy and damaging than a few looney\'s ruining a good night on weekends.

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 comparison. Obviously poker machines have no social benefits!

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 with education. Promote binge-drinking in public as being socially unacceptable. Visit Spain and take a cue from their culture. They don\'t have anti-social problems late at night.

Q: Any other comments?

Don\'t turn us into a nanny state because of a few idiots. There\'s a better way!

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:41:00 PM

Submission by:
Name: Danvir Sanghera

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

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I spend, a lot.....

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

Yes

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

Having a blast

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

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- * Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

Pathetic

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

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

I wouldn't go out as much, meaning less spending

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 have a very negative affect

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?

dont care

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 comparison to nightclubs

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 the current rules

Q: Any other comments?

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

From brisbane, work and play in brisbane/ fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Patron to bars and clubs

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

Yes

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

I have had many many a great night with friends and have made many new friends on my nights out.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think this is ridiculous, it's an insult to the freedom we are entitled to living in this country.

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 and a social life. Some of us are busy and the most convenient time for us to come out is at night time.

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

I have a right to drink.

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?

For see massive job loss and opportunities for many and a loss of freedom and happiness for patrons

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 ridiculous, and is a distraction, not a solution for a culturally fuelled problem, not an alcohol fuelled problem.

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?

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?

Address the cultural issues and the laws that punish the perpetrators of violence. Not the people who have done nothing wrong.

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:12:52 PM

Submission by:
Name: Chelsea Holloway

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I'm just a promoter at The Met and to see lock out at 1 and Close at 3 would suck, people would just stay on the street and taking more drugs, drinking isn't the problems it's the people who Can't control themselves

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

No

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

The people I have met are amazing! And the get acts I've seen along the way

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

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Stupid, people are

Just goin to get angry about it and binge drink more and get even more wasted since they don't have as long as before hand

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 people just want to have fun and it's only about 10% of us who don't behave yet everyone is being punished?

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

Lots of money would be lost for business owners everywhere

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?

Musicians would lose money since no one would be playing 3-5 so someone would be cut from a list every weekend within every club

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?

Ridiculous why only have some laws in some places?
When I bet these issues would be happening there aswell?

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 really mind

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?

Have more activities outside

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 Brisbane, play in the city and valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Patron

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

Yes

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

Great nights out with friends, freedom to explore different venues until 3am

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

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Appears to be a bit of a farce to me, this will greatly reduce the amount of patrons and not necessarily reduce the violence / anti social behavior of the few that spoil it for the many. It will kill a lot of venues. Appears to encourage gambling as pokies and casino still available (which of course makes the government a lot of money)

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 and definitely affect my social life negatively. Time flies on a night out and 1am is very early to be locked in to a particular venue. Last drinks at 2am is a complete joke.

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

This wouldn't affect me too much personally however I think this is a good idea if the cut off time was say 2am not midnight.

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!!

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?

Complete joke, money making scheme by the government, encouraging gambling is not a good idea.

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's no comparison is there! Pokies are mind numbingly boring, zero social interaction

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 current 3am lockout. Cut off certain drinks (shots and straight spirits) at 2am. Last drinks at 4am. Increased / improved RSA training to staff. Free soft drinks as well as water to suspected intoxicated persons.

Q: Any other comments?

The new laws will kill the industry, please reconsider, I head out most weekends to the Brisbane city and Valley areas and rarely see or experience any anti social behavior, in fact everyone is having a good time and are very friendly towards myself and my friends. I have made new friends on a night out. Brisbane is heading in the right direction and these laws will be a massive step backwards.

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Submission by:
Name: amy walsh

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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This will do nothing but harm every one involved from workers, business owners to patrons. As a patron and may other patrons of the Fortitude Valley area that uses public transport such as the train this will impact our safety. I for many years have caught the train in the morning which first train is 6am to go back home and there are so many others that do the same thing. When I go there in the morning the line is massive and the entire area is packed out. Those people that are packing out the train station will be forced to be heavily intoxicated and some on drugs roaming the city streets with nothing to do between basically 3am to 6am. 3 hours of more drunks roaming the streets with nothing to do but I don't may be violence. You're not making it safer in fact you're making it more dangerous and your destroying peoples lively hoods. Really F'ing smart.

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 6:41:59 PM

Submission by:
Name: Alex Harkin

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

I am from the Gold Coast, I am a Coastal Engineer and software developer and enjoy partying on weekends in surfers paradise

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I frequent a local night club and support any good late night entertainment

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

Yes

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

There are many positives playing in the night time economy. The main one is being able to forget about work and daily stresses for a few hours and unwind

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The lockout laws take away the freedoms and rights of everyone involved. Any venue should be able to operate 24hrs if they wish. The exemptions for casinos shows there are malicious agendas here.

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 is a total stripping of my freedoms. No one should be able to tell anyone what time to go home or finish drinking.

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

This is ridiculous. This would be so confusing for bar tenders and patrons to follow. I also see this causing conflicts between bartender and patron.

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 late night entertainment industry would probably be shut down eventually. Like Sydney. This is thousands of jobs lost. It would also be a major loss culturally. Musicians would no longer be having shows here.

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 just shows the malicious agendas going on here

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 benefit far more from nightclubs/music venues. These establishments bring people together and create culture. There is nothing good about gambling.

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 do not see a problem with the late night behaviour in my area. I have been out late every weekend for 8 years and seen less than 5 fights. None of which seemed to become overly extreme. I understand bad things have happened. But people need to take responsibility for themselves. Perhaps harsher penalties for those committing crimes would see antisocial behaviour reduce.

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 6:26:00 PM

Submission by:
Name: Kail Terepai

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

Going out for dinner in eagle street then heading to the valley for a great night out either with work or friends.

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

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I dont like it. I think that 3 am lockouts are fine but putting a 1am lockout into action isnt fair for people who like to stay out into the later hours. Especially considering majority of people do the right thing putting a 1am lockout will hurt pubs and clubs and will create a different atmosphere while you are out. 1am lockouts only put a bandaid on the real issue at hand. 3 am lockouts are understandable and have worked quite well but any earlier is too far

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 freedom to move around the valley at night especially meeting people. Most places do not get busy until 11 especially friday and saturday it is doubtful that it would change either by making lockouts earlier it reduces the likeleyhood of people going out at all.

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

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?

Both the valley and west end especially would be affected by this. Less and less people will start going out if they already have plans that go into the night therefore less business and thus causing job cuts in the hospitality industry

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?

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?

A lot of people have a great night out listening to music both in night clubs and in live music venues. Not many people will go out to have a great night playing pokies and if they do then they have a gambling problem

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?

Rather than hurting businesses by cutting their patrons due to the proposed lockout. Education is the only way that anti social behaviour will change. More education in the senior years of highschool and even on advertisements in relation to anti social behaviour should be done.

The one punch can kill campaign is an excellent example, I know that it has stuck with a lot of my peers.

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: Tara Roach

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

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I like to go out and have a good time

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

Yes

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

Having a good time with mates all through the night

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

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Stupid we are adults and can make our own decisions.

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

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

That\\s when the party starts is midnight limiting drinks just makes the alcohol funding limit

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Sara Lodder](#)
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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 6:11:48 PM

Submission by:
Name: Sara Lodder

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

I work at McDonalds in the Valley area and the only time anyone is able to receive shifts is on Friday and Saturday nights, due to the demand. If the nightlife is cut off, that cuts all our jobs to nothing, and suddenly many people won't be able to make rent, due to shift cuts.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Food Service

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

Delivering food to waiting individuals who are requesting our services at 2/3am and later - on busy nights we are busy until 5am.

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

Yes

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

It provides a pleasant experience, and some of the younger crew learn how to interact with all walks of life. The nightlife in Brisbane is not a threat to safety of people, its a learning curve and regardless of the alcohol situation and cutting the night life, the little violence that is still seen in society will just spread to suburban areas and cause more issues for people.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Not sure why casinos are excepted due to the fact I have more issues with getting harassed in a casino than I do at clubs in the valley. Cutting drinks and closing times will cut thousands of jobs in the valley, which many people, like myself, cannot afford to leave, due to the horrendous economy we live in.

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 would be in jeopardy, my hours would be cut significantly, not to mention almost all 50+ of our workers. Some nights it is the only way I get to catch up with friends, and if these changes are initiated, it would be a lot harder to catch up with friends in a central location.

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

I have some friends who cannot drink soft drink for their own reasons and prefer to sit on a shot \"on the rocks\" which is how they enjoy alcohol - this would diminish their experience in the valley which would mean they cannot order anything at all.

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 know some businesses don't make any money except on late night weekends. This will severely affect the people around us. Many clubs also have local artists come play at their venue which will also diminish their opportunities in life.

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 makes me mad, because gambling is arguably a bigger and more prominent problem in Australia than drinking however it is not given the same treatment. Also, I have been harassed more in casinos than I have in bars and clubs, yet nothing at all is being done to fix that.

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?

Pokies encourage anti-social behaviour, we don't go to the pokies very often because we end up not socialising at all.

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?

Not this crap, that's for sure. It would be smarter to actually think about who you're affecting, because this is not the answer.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Erin Butcher](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 6:06:56 PM

Submission by:
Name: Erin Butcher

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

I'm from Brisbane and live in the hub of the fortitude valley!

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I regularly head out late into the night to have a few drinks and catch up with my girlfriends.

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

Yes

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

It's fun, you get to meet new people and dance all night.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it will have a major impact on people's lively hoods and if anything people will just go crazy drinking to excess to make up for the 'lost hours'

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?

Affect my social life and I'm an adult why should the government dictate when and when I can't have a drink.

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

Nothing major comes to mind - I only drink beer...

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 husband is a musician so I think this would have a massive impact on his work, with people leaving early etc...

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 you'll have people not turning up to support live music.

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, schmoker machines. No one cares about them.

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?

Lower the prices of alcohol...

Q: Any other comments?

NSW is already boring to attend in terms of night clubs due to the early lock out times. For example I'm trying to plan a hens night and we've ruled Sydney out as a destination due to that silly rule.

I'm an adult I want to be able to stay out til whatever time I want...

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Submission by:
Name: Eden Jackat

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

I live in Ipswich, and predominantly go out in the area, however occasionally travel to Brisbane to party.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Definitely a consumer, but I am looking into trying to get work in the industry.

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

Yes

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

Have made some of my favourite memories while going out enjoying the night life. I love the relaxed, yet energetic atmosphere, the social aspect where I can either mingle or night, or dance for hours. Have met some awesome people out, and strengthened existing relationships. A stand out would be meeting my boyfriend out - he worked behind the bar and I was a frequent attendee to his workplace :P

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

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I can understand where the government is coming from, alcohol and drug related violence isn't cool, but I think they're going about it wrong way. Obviously a decision made by a group of people who are on the outside looking in, and don't actually experience nightlife, and just believe the narrow minded views of media. By restricting the alcohol sales, people are just going to get maggots before they come out. Around the lockout and lockout times, more people who are still intoxicated will be congregating on the street, which will inevitably raise tensions and people would prefer to still be partying. Having the night longer also allows people to work off their alcohol (or, to be honest, recreational substances) in an environment they enjoy - whether that be mingling or dancing etc., rather than being kicked out and becoming frustrated in the process.

Also, the exceptions to gaming and casinos is obviously a ploy to earn more money (people moving toward

gambling after they can't party)

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 I don't work in the industry, financially I'm not affected, but a number of friends of mine will be. However it's annoying as it will be affecting my freedom. I really enjoy going out on a Friday or Saturday night and being with my friends, meeting new people, dancing, singing, doing whatever. I don't always club or go to bars, I often frequent a bowls club with my sporting team and we just sit and casually drink and talk.

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

It'll just be annoying. I frequent cheaper basics.

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?

Definitely see job losses as a result of the new laws. Less staff will be needed, and businesses will be earning less so they won't be able to afford the extra staff.

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 mentioned before, this is obviously just to profit.

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 of pokies, they're just a means of addiction, and social isolation.

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Billie kingi

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

Gold Coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Patron almost every second weekend. I go out to dance and find new music

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

Yes

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

It gives me the opportunity to meet new people, have fun but most of all be able to dance to new and upcoming music with a whole crowd of people.

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

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The new proposals seem hypocritical: casinos are exempt from the same laws? Why?- did they write this law? Pokies are allowed to continue? Why?- they ruin lives just as much as drinking in the form of gambling addictions.

If you lock patrons out after 1pm or 3pm what are they going to do afterwards? -They're going to be on the street. With nothing to entertain them, they'll probably end up doing something stupid or violent. Not only that, but people will be less likely to go out and will probably stay at home, effectively closing down all businesses in the long term. Government makes no money, small businesses make no money and the going out general population are restless, having house parties and annoying neighbours and the police with house calls. Not a very intelligent idea.

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 loss of freedoms will be the biggest impact to me, then the social life. For me, personally when I go out, it's for the music and dancing. My favourite club acquires international dj's and plays alternative music which is not easily provided to the population unless it's a music festival which is super expensive and only involves a 1 hour set. Changing the lock out times and the alcohol consumption laws with result in my favourite club to not be able to survive financially and will not draw international acts as they probably won't be able to draw a crowd. This results in my loss of freedom to see top quality musicians and artists and my freedom to dance and enjoy the atmosphere.

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

Personally I only drink a little bit, but I only drink spirits. If they cut this out I'm less likely to go out at all. I'm guessing a lot of people are in a similar mindset and therefore result in no one going out and then resulting in businesses shutting down.

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 is what I foresee. This law thinks it's going to save lives by reducing the drinking violence. I don't think it will. I think the violence will just spread to the home and house parties. Local businesses will shut and all round local economy will go down, people will lose jobs and will have to leave the industry altogether or move cities.

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! This is absurd. Pokies kill lives too; gambling tears families apart - where are stats on that? Where is the prime time news coverage?

And who is going to keep their doors open just for pokies? Only the casinos. And why are casinos exempt from the same laws as the small businesses? Is it because the casino backs or financially supports your political party? It looks like they're having a BIG say on laws-isn't that morally, ethically or legally wrong?

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 machine. How interesting can it be? It's not interesting at all! I don't want to go out and see a machine. I go out to meet people

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 extend the closing hours of venues however keep last drinks at 5pm. That way violence at lock out may reduce because the energy is spent inside the club with distractions and not on the street picking fights with other highly intoxicated people.

Q: Any other comments?

The idea of closing clubs earlier and locking out earlier is not the solution to safer partying, but if you're looking to kill smaller businesses and the entertainment industry you're on the right track. Doing this ends up filling the enormous pockets of the casinos and international business stakeholders, which in the long term isn't going to benefit the people or the government.

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 5:38:35 PM

Submission by:
Name: Wil Barclay

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

Lived on the Gold Coast since i was 9, I have been socializing and drinking around the Gold Coast for 8 years. Over that time i have been to the majority of pubs and night precincts including, main beach, surfers, broadbeach, nobbies, burleigh and cooly.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am the patron, on average I would spend 100 a night, at least once a week over the last 8 years. \$41,600. :|

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

Yes

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

Lots of good nights, birthdays etc.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Last drinks is just a quick way of getting patrons out of the venue, no revenue will be made so the venue might as well close.

Lockouts cause people to rush (drink driving) and could turn angry when locked out.

Limiting drinks reduces business.

All 3 push everyone outside and antisocial behavior ensues.

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?

Could effect a night out.

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

Frustrating but its not the worst thing in the world.

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, the gold coast would suffer massively.

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 unfair.

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?

Not at all, there is never a community benefit from playing poker machines.

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?

Having travelled to various night spots over the world i think we need to take a more relaxed approach to drinking and our night life, i believe night club venues should be allowed to stay open all night with no lockouts and no drink restrictions. Violence happens on the street, if everybody is allowed to be in a venue they are safe and they are having fun.

Q: Any other comments?

Our nightlife is a great social tool, it generates big income, tourism and jobs. Lets aim to have the a nightlife that is safe, fun and allows you the freedom to have a good time between 12 and 7 AM.

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Cc:
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 5:18:31 PM

Submission by:
Name: Thiago oliveira

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

West end

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Pharmacist

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

Consumer

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

Yes

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

Life

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

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Bullshit

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?

Decreases my quality of life

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

Decreases my quality of life

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?

Shit economy

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?

Bullshit

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?

Zero

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?

Invest in education

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Christopher Gibson](#)
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 4:55:25 PM

Submission by:
Name: Christopher Gibson

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

I currently reside in Holland Park and I love going to the Valley and partying in the best nightclub in Queensland, The Met

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Promoter

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

I am a Promoter for The Met Nightclub so my roll is to help get the word out about the HUGE !! national and international acts that play at this great nightclub.

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

Yes

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

Working in the night-time economy has helped me make a lot of amazing friends/work associates that I would not have gotten without this type of work.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think these are pointless proposals because it just means that any negative behavior will occur earlier and doesnt really stamp out the problem that the government is trying to stop.

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?

Ofcourse it will, not only will it cut my pay hours back and I will loss money but the majority of the people that I socialise with wont be bothered going out anymore and would rather stay home.

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

Well my job as a promoter for The Met is very social based and usually involves drinking so putting limits on drinks would be a huge problem and make it harder for me.

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 these proposals end up coming into effect then we could pretty much say goodbye to the local business night life that The Valley has built up and put so much effort into for so long !

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 unfair and shouldnt happen. Why should they still be allowed to receive money through a way that is just as addictive but not our night clubs ?

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 other live music venues are a way better way to meet new people and socially interact where as playing poker machines, you will find that getting a decent conversation out of someone is more easier at a nightclub or a live music venue rather than the person you are sitting next to at the pokies.

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?

propose harsher punishments on the offenders so it gets into their heads that their behaviour is unacceptable and they need to cut it out. Dont punish the community for peoples stupidity, punish the offenders harder.

Q: Any other comments?

These proposals should not go ahead as there will be many businesses that will be hugely affected by these. Punish the offenders more harshly rather than punish the community as a whole, the community is not the one that is the problem !

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 4:54:00 PM

Submission by:
Name: mark tentori

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

From Brisbane, Live in Maroochydore.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

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

No

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

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Stephane Elmosnino

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

I live in fortitude valley and work at various venues throughout South-East QLD. Over half of my weekly income is made from working at nightclubs, and half of this income is made after 2am.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I provide entertainment for patrons in the different nightclubs that I work at.

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

Yes

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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This is a ridiculous proposal. This will effectively kill many businesses which rely on trading between 1am and 3am to survive (in most nightclubs, this is the busiest time of the night). Furthermore, it seems rather unjust that casinos (and the bars in) can keep trading without limitations. This will effectively send anyone who wishes to keep drinking to these venues.

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?

These lockout laws will result in a reduction of the hours that I can work. That is, of course, if the venues that I work at can survive with the lesser trading hours. If they have to close, I will lose my job altogether.

The main issue involved with this is the fact that I may not be able to repay my mortgage and is potentially putting my whole financial life in danger.

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

As a patron myself, I feel this is restricting my freedom.

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. Musicians and bar staff will be the first to suffer from job loss. The tourism industry may also suffer as out of state and international young tourists may not see value in travelling to Brisbane and the Gold Coast since the nightlife culture would be reduced to private house parties.

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?

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 creates gambling addictions. Attending nightclubs and live music venues does not. It's that simple.

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 introduce extremely harsh penalties for violence perpetrators, as well as run ad campaigns which explain what those penalties are. I am fairly certain that being hit with a couple of thousand dollars fine for anti-social behaviour will drastically and quickly reduce fights.

Q: Any other comments?

Violence is caused by violent people, not alcohol.

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From: [Sammi Lowe](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 4:04:56 PM

Submission by:
Name: Sammi Lowe

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

I work in leasing administration, however I have previously been privileged enough to work at some of the Gold Coasts most reputable night venues within the marketing and events department. My preferable night-time drop in is Elsewhere Bar Surfers Paradise where I have previously worked. This venue supports the arts, the community and takes a personal interest in ensuring their patrons are well looked after.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Having promoted and hosted many events in my previous employ, I have been responsible for enticing many patrons to the venues I support. Currently, I promote positive word of mouth and spend my hard earned money at venues I enjoy frequenting, whilst encouraging my friends to do the same.

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

Yes

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

I have only had positive experiences. I frequent reputable venues who take a special interest in their patrons interests and safety.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I don't think it's a positive thing. I think a few hack operators and minority trouble makers are causing the whole industry to get a bad reputation. It is unfair that some are able to operate past the proposed limited trade whilst others have the increased risk of their businesses spiraling into turmoil, not to mention loyal employees who stand to lose their jobs. And lastly, those of us who can be responsible and act in a manner that is becoming of an avid club enthusiast should be able to choose when we SHOULD call it a night.

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 effect both myself and my peers with a negative impact on our social freedoms and rights to decide when it\'s time to go home. I think it will also cause more trouble makers to lurk or linger in the streets thus making it dangerous for us to leave venues and get home safely.

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

I think this particular condition is ridiculous. The types of drinks served has no impact on whether someone chooses to binge drink or act inappropriately. The no drinks after 12am will just infringe on the rest of us responsible drinkers having a positive/fun experience. People will just binge/consume in excess before 12. It will make no difference or achieve anything that it sets out to do.

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 foresee businesses closing down. The 3am lockouts originally imposed have already impacted local business. This change to the legislation will in my most humble of opinions cripple a majority of the Queensland venue operators.

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 mentioned previously, this is a double standard.

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 are prone to gambling addictions, yet they are able to operate at a different standard to other venues.. again double standard and furthermore counter productive

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?

Bigger penalties for ignoring responsible service of alcohol policies. More police patrolling the streets.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Rosemellie Korman](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 3:41:34 PM

Submission by:
Name: Rosemellie Korman

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

Cairns, Qld.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a patron to the nightclubs

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

Yes

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

Prior to working in the position now, I worked at Gilligans Backpacker and Resort as assistant to Marketing and Events. Not once working there did anything ever happened that would require the proposed changes from current Qld Labor Govt. It is evident no one in that party supporting these changes has ever experienced going out in Cairns. They need to start focusing on the more important issues.

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

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Lack of evidence proving as to why these changes are positive as well as necessary?

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 for a lot of my friends in the hospitality industry.
More social events in residential areas leading until very early hours of the morning, so good luck.

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

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 closing, a lot of job losses, a drop in tourism (backpackers and domestic travels and vibe will be diminished.

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 isn't fair at all, why punish the patrons that attend night clubs and not punish the irresponsible gamblers?

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?

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 ONLY time there is anti-social behavior is outside of the clubs so the no-brainier solution would to have more of a police presence outside clubs and at taxi ranks.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Joshua Dowdle](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 3:35:43 PM

Submission by:
Name: Joshua Dowdle

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

Gold Coast, Surfers (Elsewhere)

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

DJ, Band.

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

As an up and coming artist and a general patron in surfers I believe I contribute a friendly approach to others enjoying their time out. Not everyone is out looking to get obliterated on alcohol and drugs, some are out to socialise, make new friends and enjoy the music.

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

Yes

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

It's given myself the chance to enjoy music and be inspired by other musicians also meet with artists who are role models to many others in the community.

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

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I believe it is pushing patrons out of venues and into the streets earlier and will seek to drink in places that aren't controlled by experienced and helpful staff. Where I go (elsewhere) if I've been to a function or anything beforehand and have had a little too much to drink, staff are always friendly and will see that I get home safely.

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 it would impact negatively on the staff which would then impact the patrons as they may need to cut

staff that are extremely important to the smooth functioning of the clubs.

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

I feel like it would affect business mostly. Cut drinks, cut cash in, less money for staff etc.

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 see smaller businesses closing, we've already seen what it has done in sydney.

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?

Drinking is a culture and when it is controlled people can enjoy their nightlife, can even enhance their nightlife.

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?

Much more beneficial. Talking to another human being, listening to stories and experiences that can most of the time be inspiring or inspiring to not make wrong decisions.

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?

Implicate more security measures and close monitoring on dangerous figures who are looking to create physical altercations.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Mikaela Patterson](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 3:04:40 PM

Submission by:
Name: Mikaela Patterson

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

I've been living in Brisbane the last 3 years and have worked in the city, valley and other bcd locations. When I go out its typically to the valley if we want to dance until 5 am, but if I am looking for a more relaxed night it will be bar hopping along eagle st pier.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

I am a dancer and limited nights of my choosing is the only viable way for me to earn income whilst I complete my university degree. Daytime work would not suit my schedule nor provide enough income that is necessary. By changing these laws my job is potentially at risk alongside my livelihood.

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

Yes

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

I have had fantastic experiences enjoying going out in Brisbane, of the 3 years I have been here I can probably count on the one hand the number of times I have ever seen any incidences or fights- which is ridiculously less than what I saw living in the UK . Being a night shift worker myself I usually start my night with friends heading out around 10-11 pm, after dinner etc is all done that is usually the time we are ready to head out. Bars are typically the first stop where we can enjoy nice cocktails until probably about 2 am where we decide to have a dance for a while before heading home. This is a great social time for me and allows us to all catch up and rewind after a busy week.

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2 am last drinks is a joke, I went to byron bay for my 21 birthday where similar laws are in place and lets just say I was very surprised. After dinner is finished round 11pm, we had 3 hours only to start bar hopping/ drinking and the rush to get into a club before 1 am is crazy. pushy people in queues, people getting antsy and

those who didn't make it in were far less than happy being sent home. We deserve the right to have a fun night out not to be forced to stay at home/ leave disappointed. our social life is extremely important and a great way to stay mentally happy and relaxed when leading busy lives.

not only would these new proposals affect my ability to enjoy myself and have a fun night out the implications for my job are frightening. early closing time means less pay and money for me- drinks stopping early means the bar/club will be earning less money and may have to further penalise dancers in terms of house fees and cuts of private dances. If I cannot fully support myself I will have to turn to the government for this which i am very reluctant to do. The fact the casinos and the pokies are exempt from these rules is absurd, what applies for one should apply for all... I have seen many a fight in casinos and angry patrons losing money and yet these people are allowed to be fuelled with more alcohol and to continue to gamble until 5 am?

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 possible loss of my job, if i have to work more hours in a different job this will affect my uni grades and i may even have to rely on centrelink for money- which is the bare minimum and would affect my entire life experience and the luxuries i can afford. my social life will be massively negatively impacted, probably stop going out for big nights, just a few casual drinks to be had or house parties would become another option. either way it would never be the same, and that would be a very sad thing.

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

shots are fun, if your in a busy packed club sometimes the last thing u want to do is order a drink have people push and shove into you spilling it everywhere and you cant go on the dance floor. a shot is a nice quick easy way to have a drink with your mates before quickly leaving the bar empty handed for a dance. taking away our rights for these is ridiculous- some high end liquor is drank straight on ice and being forced to mix it is unfair. I enjoy a baileys on ice and i would be very annoyed if someone said i cannot have the drink i enjoy because it is after 12 am... we shouldn't have our options limited .. if someones aim is to get silly drunk they will do this regardless of what drinks/shots they can have, people will skull there drinks and order more... so its unfair to penalise other people who enjoy going out for drinks and treat it responsibly.

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 completely change the CBD areas, business will no doubt close and jobs will definitely be lost, people don't automatically start going out earlier and changing their routine. It will be a sad sight to see the local area diminishing and changing as sydney\'s has.

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 very unfair, I believe what rules apply to some should apply to all. If the real aim and purpose is to reduce alcohol fuelled violence then it should be the same everywhere.

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?

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 seen a few patrons be escorted out of a venue- but after this happens they are simply kicked out onto the

street. this is where the issues occur, we need more police consistently roaming the streets or outside clubs on busy nights so to ensure the drunken troublesome patrons are going home or put in a cab etc and monitored. More taxi ranks on busy nights so there is not a huge queue, tired people queuing for cabs at the end of the night are frustrated and more irritable- this is where problems can occur too. The main change in anti-social behaviour is through education, teaching and helping these people to see the way they should be acting. Perhaps people involved in violent acts can be counselled and given certain education to understand the way they are behaving is wrong.

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 3:02:39 PM

Submission by:
Name: Beau Matthews

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

work in Brisbane/play on Gold Coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Supporting bands/djs that help culturise the youth.

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

Yes

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

Meeting new friends, being part of a community that wouldn't exist if lockout laws were happening

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

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I think it's stupid, especially with the statistics from nsw

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 probably wouldn't bother going out as much.

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?

angry, the government is stupid

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: [Caelun Richardson-Lester](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:45:08 PM

Submission by:
Name: Caelun Richardson-Lester

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Daniel Mills](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:44:20 PM

Submission by:
Name: Daniel Mills

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

Born and bred on the GC and have been playing in the clubs since the mid 90's!

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Us and our friends celebrate the end of a hard working week in these establishments

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

Yes

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

Nothing but the best of times

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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There is no need for a change

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 and freedom to enjoy ourselves will be ruined

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

Everyone loves a shot or cocktail while partying

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 friends and family work in this community and will lose wages, even their jobs

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 the government would rather take the police addicts money than people just wanting to chill in a bar with a harmless drink

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Philomene bell](#)
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:40:20 PM

Submission by:
Name: Philomene bell

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

Bowen hospitality minesite utility

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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

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

Yes

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

As employee or employer i hafer 40 odd years experience you can judge the situation trained staff to recognised and evaluate good security have free water when asked and enjoy the night

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?

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

Red bull shooters Yager bombs i find these are too energetic and seem to get the party goers agitated with certian

drugs they could have taken.

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 as whitsunday is a backpacker\'s party ground they will stay in there accomodation and drink thus Hotkles night clubs will employ less staff

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?

Do agree once bar closes turn off vending machines

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?

They give donations to community

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?

Educate students on social activities and get them involved in commu ity activities from early age

Q: Any other comments?

I found in the hospitality industry as ckub manager we would have meetings once a month with police and liquor licence and have discussion about proublems.if whe had problems with a certian agitator we rang round to inform that person thrown out ,this was i a small town i found it worked.mybe in cities have special ink stamp on both wrist to let other bouncers know to refuse entry for that very reason he or they are trouble

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From: [Lisa Nagl](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:31:06 PM

Submission by:
Name: Lisa Nagl

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

I currently live and work in Annerley, though I own an apartment in Fortitude Valley, which I will be moving back into in the future.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a patron of pubs/clubs/bars in Fortitude Valley and previous resident of Fortitude Valley.

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

Yes

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

I lived in Fortitude Valley for 4 years and have had hundreds of positive experiences. Dancing until dawn and getting early breakfast at Rics, celebrating my birthday every year at the wonderful BigSound festival, discovering local bands and artists at the interesting local venues, etc.

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The proposals are totalitarian and backwards. They will destroy the Brisbane nightlife just as they have done to Sydney. The Brisbane music scene is finally getting some power behind it and these proposals will just completely kill the scene. The fact that casinos are exempt is just disgusting, I do not understand the reasoning behind this at all.

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 general atmosphere of Fortitude Valley will be lost. I bought my apartment in the Valley because I wanted

to live in the night life area. With that gone, there is no reason for me to live there. Less pub/club business in the Valley means less business all round. The lockout laws being changed to an earlier time will mean that more drunk people are trying to get home at the exact same time. This means more strain on taxi ranks and buses and most probably more violence. It also means that people will be on the street when they want to be in a bar, causing frustration and aggravation that will likely also lead to an increase in violence. I believe the changing of lockout times would make it less safe for me to live in Fortitude Valley.

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

I personally don't have a particular problem with this part of the ban, though it does show a general lack of respect to pubgoers that they can't be trusted to choose their own drinks. I think the specific drink ban is rather pointless in general though, creating frustration and anger in pubgoers that is unnecessary.

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 will kill the Fortitude Valley area, you only need to look at Sydney as an example. There will be less patrons at the pubs/bars, meaning there will be less opportunities for local musicians, fewer new bars opening up and an all round stagnation of the Valley area. Without it's nightlife, there is no reason for me to live in the valley. The less tourism money being fed into the Valley, the worse it will get.

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 disgusts me. I cannot comprehend why casinos are exempt from this rule. Why would you destroy a burgeoning music and pub scene in favour of gambling? Have you ever sat in a pokies room at the end of the night in the casino? It is depressing and cultureless. As the partner of a former gambling addict, I can honestly not understand why the government would be encouraging gambling in this way.

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?

Frankly, there is zero community benefit to poker machines; they destroy lives and families. Live music brings people together, is a great way to find new bands and support the local music industry. It gives space for people to express themselves and connect with other likeminded people. I have made numerous friends at gigs that I would not have otherwise.

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 needs to be a greater police presence and stricter penalties for wrong doers. Don't punish the many for the deeds of a few. There needs to be more investment in night time public transport (to avoid the horrendous backlog of taxi ranks) and more security at taxi ranks. Uber needs to be accepted as an option for transport and trains from the Valley should run later into the night.

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:24:14 PM

Submission by:
Name: Shane Cumpston

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

I work in Fortitude Valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

Entertain people who spend money

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

Yes

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

I get paid so I can eat and live

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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- * No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
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Idiotic

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?

Major loss of income

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

Badly

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, businesses closing, dreams killed

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?

Hypocrites

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 don't gamble away your house at a bar

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?

Breath tests on entry, licence scanning on all venues and shared info regarding trouble makers

Q: Any other comments?

Look at Europe, why can't we be like them?

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From: [Leisa Kirmos](#)
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:23:23 PM

Submission by:
Name: Leisa Kirmos

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

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

Yes

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

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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Destroying our culture and independence

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, work, social life, music culture

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

indefinitely

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?

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?

Disgusting

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Stacy Wong](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:09:00 PM

Submission by:
Name: Stacy Wong

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

I'm from Cairns, I work at Gilligan's Backpacker Resort & Hotel. All my friends work (or have worked) in the hospitality industry. The lockout will have drastic negative consequences for all of us, especially in Cairns where hospitality is a major part of our culture.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

I am the events and functions coordinator. I organise functions, party bookings, and major events running through the nightclub.

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

Yes

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

I've worked in hospitality for nearly 10 years. It's always been a great source of income, especially while studying. And I love the variety of people you meet. I've met my closest friends, and my partner through working hospitality. I've also met networking contacts, which helped me pursue other jobs and industries. Yet, I find myself still drawn back to hospitality because it's what I know and enjoy. I'm happiest working in hospitality and love my current job. I would hate to see this industry erode in Cairns.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I don't see an early lockout changing violent behaviours. If someone has a violent, they will get into fights, regardless if they are locked out or not. I think people will be more enraged at not being let into the club, and take to violence on the streets. Or worse yet, drink driving. If people want to party, they will find a way.

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 going out with friends on weekends, but we usually don't go out until near 12am midnight. A lot of my friends work in the bars, so they aren't able to join until after they're done work, if they can get of before current 3am lockout. For example, my best friend works on the door at The Woolshed, and works until 2am. But she usually joins up with us after she's done. If the lockouts were pushed earlier, I wouldn't get a chance to have social outtings with my friends that work in the industry.

My job would suffer as my performance is dependent on bookings and revenue. Party bookings and events would see a downturn, about half of my party bookings don't arrive until later in the night, 12am-1am.

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

Yes, I only drink spirit drinks. I think taking the choice away for drinks would negatively affect my experience going out. Especially because I usually don't arrive until 12am.

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?

Cairns is heavily based around the hospitality industry due to the amount of tourism we attract. A lot of business would be affected. I fear that the smaller bars and venues would shut down. Having worked in several bars in town, I can say that the crowds generally don't roll in until later. So shutting them out early, would result in heavy losses in revenue for all. Locals especially don't go out until 12am-1am. If they're locked out, they will be likely to hit the streets and try to drive home for house parties. I definitely think there would be more drink driving, a major danger to the public.

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?

Pokie machines are a much more detrimental to people's well being. People's lives get ruined by pokies. Just because it's funding the government's pockets, doesn't mean it is ok.

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 go out to be social. That's why I attend clubs with a good atmosphere that my friends and I will enjoy. When i go into a pokie room, it's dank and depressing. There is no community benefit of playing pokies. They are addictive, and suck the life (and money) out of people. People lose their life savings and families due to gambling problems.

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?

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:08:35 PM

Submission by:
Name: Chantal Horneman

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

I'm from Brisbane and been working in the valley as an entertainer for 14 years. Currently working at Prohibition and Cloudland, and various other venues with freelance work.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I am a professional dancer and a DJ.

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

No

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

Entertaining people and enriching our social fabric through art and music is my livelihood and I love it.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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As I mentioned, I have been working in the valley for 14 years. I have seen the valley before the last lockout came in , it was a safe place, I have never felt unsafe in the valley untill the lockout arrived in 2005. There was a mass exodus onto the streets, not nearly enough late night public transport services, nor were there enough taxis. Putting a whole bunch of unsupervised drunk people on the street, with not enough transport only led to MORE violence! The entire plan was a disaster from where I stood, as a young woman by herself on the street trying to get home from work. Learn from the mistakes of 2005, please! This will be a repeat of 10 years ago! Do you really think the people drinking cocktails are the problem? Instead of looking at the drinks, look at the types of venues where the most violence is occurring, and look at their drinking habits, and target them. I find it very hard to believe the cocktail crowd are the major culprits! EXEMPTIONS FOR CASINOS? Gambling is an extremely destructive social force. Arts, music and dancing, are very positive social forces! Why are people legally allowed to destroy their lives 24hours a day, this is INSANITY! And it can only mean one thing, the government are profitting THAT much from this plan, and they are trying to push everyone to the casino so

they get the benefits, all the while pushing people into gambling because they have no other venue to go to. The fact that they are allowed to serve alcohol whenever they like, completely undermines what they are saying about the rest of it!!

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 are only a few hours a week which allow entertainers to work. I have had to work overseas in my field because there is not enough work here in my home city. Please don't reduce our work opportunities ! They are already limited!

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

I don't think people drinking cocktails are the problem!! If there were more cocktail drinkers out there we would have less boganism which is what the government is trying to avoid. Look at the venues where the violence happens and target those drinks!

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?

Absolutly I see businesses closing because of this. Have you seen what happened in Sydney? And Sydney is our biggest city! Sydney can handle a few closures, BRISBANE CANNOT! We dont have the population !

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 sickens me. Art enriches our social fabric. Pokies destroy it!

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Aaron Young](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:00:38 PM

Submission by:
Name: Aaron Young

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

I was born and raised on the Gold coast. I make and spend all my money here.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Providing a friendly and safe service to responsible adults

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

Yes

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

Life long relationships. The ability to still have fun safely and legally with friends.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it's a scheme to send all of the patrons and their money elsewhere. Dont want them in the clubs but in the casino is fine? That makes 0 sense.

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 social relationships negatively. It would mean I would be out of work. I am genuinely afraid it's going to have the opposite effect. And I jnow for certain more and more illegal parties are going to happen

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

I think a responsible adult should be allowed to order whatever he or she may want at whatever time they want.

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 basically think that the streets will look like a highschool at 3:15 pm. There is one interest that this is fulfilling and it is most definitely not the publics.

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 wait until i turn 18 so i can have the privelege of safely and responsibly enjoying an alcoholic drink after work. Now if you don\'t give a group of people a chance to be responsible eg. Taking away their bar. Then of course they will act irresponsibly

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 community benefit should never be in the same sentence .

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 starts with education and ends with the punishment that is dealt out to the person. The gold coast does not have a late night violence problem in the central district what it does have a problem with is drug deals and overdoses. More money needs to be spent on drug testing. Alcohol testing. And making sure people get home safe.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Mark wyatt](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 1:54:51 PM

Submission by:
Name: Mark wyatt

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

Gold coast.waxys Irish bar

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Keep the customers safe

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

No

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

Help provide money for my family. Meet interesting people

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

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It would greatly affect my income and way of life

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 opportunity

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

You should be able to choose what you wish to drink as an adult

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 we will loose a lot of business and be a less desirable destination for tourists

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 encouraging more gambling and less socializing

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?

Pokies are a very lonely pursuit

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 worked in the industry for 20 years and with the increased Police presence there is alot less anti social behavior than in the past

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Zena Hosseini

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

I live in Brisbane but play on the Gold Coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

As a patron, I supply vibes and spend money on alcohol and drinks.

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

Yes

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

I have been going out regularly for the past 10 years and have never had a negative experience. I work hard as a professional on weekdays from 9-5 and my nights out are a chance for me to relax, connect with my friends and enjoy being human.

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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- * No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
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They are ridiculous. We don't need the government to put a curfew on when we can and can't drink. The more restriction, the less people will learn self regulation.

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 massively impact my social life. It is also insulting as an adult as it reduces personal choice and freedom. I sometimes go out and don't drink at all, until close to 5 am, just to celebrate a great night. To have limits imposed on when we can drink and how we can roam about is ridiculous!

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

I am a whiskey drinker. I don't drink beer or wine. I like sipping on nice whiskey or a good cocktail. It's about quality for me and sometimes I play with my drink for hours. I some times don't get out till 1am. I will take a nap late at night, wake up past midnight and go out then as I know better music and vibes are offered at that time. These new laws mean big changes to the way I enjoy my time.

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?

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 promotes gambling... There is no culture in poker machines!

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 have zero community benefit.
Clubs enable a sense of belonging, a community of like minded people who enjoy the same things. It's a social activity while poker machines are not.

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?

Educational campaigns, raising awareness, introducing policies through which drunk patrons are given water and time out rather than thrown out, increased chill out zones, educating on what anti social behaviour is and acceptable alternatives, increasing penalties for people who engage in antisocial behaviour.

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: William Hickman

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

I am a student studying architecture, I dj at elsewhere and enjoy a early morning dance there as well.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

A Djs responsibility is to build a vibe for a night, react to a rooms energy and emotions, direct it to be enjoyable, fun and safe. Essentially I keep people having fun for as long as possible in elsewhere. I spend money in the club, and also get payed by the club to enjoy myself, socialise and dj.

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

Yes

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

In Elsewhere, Surfers Paradise, I\''ve had way too many positive experiences to count. Many include dancing, meeting new friends and girlfriends.

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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In my 5 years of clubbing I have not been involved in one violent incident. For me these new laws are heartbreaking, to think that the government is going to punish me for the actions of a few. It feels like the government cannot trust adults to be adults. I think the government is very ill-informed and should use Berlin and Melbourne as precedents for safe and successful late night communities...

Allowing pokies to continue and Casinos to continue trading is outrageous, it\''s essentially inviting people to addiction. Also once venues close, everyone will head to a casino, high influx of people, 24 hour trading, gaming, televised sports, gambling; this is just going to create another problem.

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?

Studying architecture takes up a lot of time. I study from 9-9 Saturday to Thursday, by the end of the week, the only places to go are clubs and bars to socialise.

Djing on Thursday suits my study schedule perfectly, it starts late, so i can work all day, then dj at night, enjoy a day off study after, then start the cycle again.

I
can see the new laws negatively effecting my social life, especially if they can't stay open due to shorter hours and low revenue.

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

i drink shots often to avoid large amounts of sugar and big hangovers the next day, so not being severed shots will affect my tactical consumption.

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 destroy the already damaged culture of Queensland. People will not be exposed to new music, new ideas, new art. These are very important cultural and social aspects and should not be overlooked. With these new laws I would see alot of musicians loose residencies, lots of my friends and family loose jobs in industry and I would hate to see that.

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?

outrageous. how can Queensland move forward when people can't have a place of expressions. rather than allowing places of expression, the government would see places of oppression continue to operate. Gambling is a terrible sickness on our society and the cure is social and culture growth allowing people to experience new music and art, make and meet friends.

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 fuels addiction. addiction is prevented by interaction and love from other people. Casinos and Poker machines are addiction, Nightclubs and live music venues are interaction and love.

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?

Ban UFC/Boxing broadcasting in and surrounding areas of entertainment areas.
stricture regulations surrounding drinking pubs and taverns with bad reputations.
possible drinking age increased. Proper education on club and nightlife culture.

Q: Any other comments?

Precedent analysis; Berlin, Amsterdam and Melbourne.

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From: [Phoebe Allan](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 1:23:41 PM

Submission by:
Name: Phoebe Allan

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

Im from Cairns, I work at The Attic in Cairns.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

I work as a bartender as well as VIP Bottle Service where I do table service.

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

Yes

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
* New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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Last drinks at 2am is ridiculous, the only thing this will do to our community in Cairns will force patrons to start earlier and be in the CBD under the influence while people are still having dinner.
No shots after 12am is ridiculous, as 2-3 are our busiest time of the night. Banning shots after 12 will diminish the income of Nightclubs.

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 result in less work, therefore also affecting my social life as it gives less opportunities to see and mingle with patrons and friends when they come into the venue.

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

would slow down the income at the club and would also stop people from purchasing higher priced drinks/shots. for example, someone will go for a basic, over a cocktail or a shot that they might get.

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

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?

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 completely different group of people who go out to nightclubs compared to those who

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 1:01:21 PM

Submission by:
Name: Todd hignett

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

Have so many good memories , meeting new people and creating good times with them

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

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Load of shit

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 1:00:03 PM

Submission by:
Name: James Fazl

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

I am from Ipswich. The nightlife in Ipswich is dead. Has been like this for roughly 15 years. So all of us Ipswich people travel on the train to the Brisbane CBD and the Valley for our nightlife. We know what it's like to have a city with no nightlife. Ipswich's Nightlife died because the local council back in the day did not promote the nightlife and gave no incentives for the residents to go out here. From then to now, no effort has been made to revive our nightlife in Ipswich. I do not want the rest of the state to lose out on it's currently thriving nightlife.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Hospitality, Chef/cook

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

Provide food to the people having a nice time out at night. Eating is just as important as drinking (in moderation) at night. If people refuse to go out due to these toxic lockout laws, then fewer people will be eating out at night. This severely affects the hospitality industry and will cost our industry jobs. Less people eating out means less need for cooks to cook the food. People do want to eat out on their night out. These laws indirectly go a way to preventing this.

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

Yes

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

All the new and wonderful people you can meet. I've met quite a few different people while enjoying Queensland's nightlife and it would be a shame if this is taken away from us.

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

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1. New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am. This just cuts the work hours and jobs from people who like working the graveyard shift.
2. In precincts, 1am Lockout & 3am Last Drinks. As above this costs people jobs.
3. No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs. This is skirting

around the issue. You can not ban some alcoholic drinks and say that helps alcohol abuse. You need to tackle all alcoholic drinks. If these drinks are banned, people will just move on to what is not banned after midnight. A pointless idea that changes nothing in terms of how much alcohol is consumed after midnight. 4. Pokies allowed to continue to operate after last drinks. This in theory is possible under these new toxic laws. But in practice it will not happen. No bar or club will keep it's doors open after last drinks just for a few pokie players. The business revenue is just not there. Bars and clubs will shut their doors soon after last drinks as that's the end of their revenue stream for the night. 5. New bottle shops to close at 10pm, all existing to close at 12am. Why should new bottle shops have different laws to existing bottle shops? One would think all bottle shop businesses should be treated equally under the law. I guess Queensland Labor did not get that memo. 6. Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading. This is a slap in the face for all the bars and clubs in Queensland. Why should the location of the drinks being served change what the lockout times are for the same drinks. 24 hour casino trading hours is fine but having no 3am last drinks in Casinos like Labor want for every other Hospitality industry is just wrong. This proves that Queensland Labor just do not understand what constitutes a save and fun night out.

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?

1. How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect you? Less people would go out at night. Sydney is proof of this. This means there is less people to eat out at night. Less food outlet patrons means less jobs in the industry. I would most certainly see less hours working if these laws were to come into effect. 2. Would it result in less work/job losses? For me personally yes. 3. Would it affect your social life negatively? Yes.

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

It affects my freedom of choice. It affects the businesses freedom of choice. I should be allowed to choose what drink I want to buy. The business should be allowed to choose what drinks they sell. I would hate to be banned from certain drinks I like just because Queensland Labor says it is midnight. What's the point if you can't drink what you like after midnight? If I can't, I might not even go out at all. This drink ban would totally change my thinking about when and where I go out at night.

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 nightlife area is the Brisbane CBD and the Valley. I do foresee businesses there closing or at the least reducing their operating hours due to the lockout laws. Also musicians will think twice before coming to play in Brisbane, if a lot less people are going out due to these lockout laws. Especially the interstate ones. For many of them, it's not a trivial thing to travel up here for a gig. They need a certain number of bums on seats (or standing dancing to their music) to make it financially viable to play up here. Without the certainty of these patron numbers, they will think twice before playing up here.

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 basically saying the laws are not for everyone. Special exemptions will exist. This is a slap in the face of the hospitality industry. There is no proposals for one equal law for all. A fair and just law would apply to all drinks sold anywhere equally. Sadly this is not the case and Queensland Labor do not understand for a fair, just and equal for all law is.

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 issue here is the people who play poker machines well into the early morning are not the same people who

like going to clubs for the live music. If you are going to a club for live music, the presence (or lack of) of poker machines has zero interest to you. These two groups of people do not really interact at night.

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 was in parliament and the Premier I would put a law out preventing Labor's lockout laws from evern coming into existance (or repealing them if they unfortunately come into existance. Secondly I would re-enact the LNP's Safe Night Out policy. Finally I would have an independent review of the Safe Night Out policy chaired by Our Nightlife Queensland and other industry experts. This would ensure that the Safe Night Out policy does indeed keep the patrons safe at night while still protecting the jobs and revenues of the hospitality businesses that require a thriving nightlife to operate.

Q: Any other comments?

I applaud the No Curfew and Our Nightlife Queensland groups for fighting these toxic proposed laws. I just hope for Queensland's sake they are not introduced here.

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From: [Sarah Kent](#)
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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 12:51:53 PM

Submission by:
Name: Sarah Kent

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

I am from Brisbane and I work for a South-East Queensland security company. These lock out laws will not only effect those directly involved such as businesses in these districts but will filter out into other business such as security. I do enjoy going out in the city and fortitude valley from time to time and have never had an issue. I believe that this is to do with individual behaviour which needs to be dealt with at the source through education and not by applying a blanket solution that will not work for everyone else who does the right thing.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Security

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

I generate business for the security company I work for which plays a vital role in protecting patrons and venue employees. I also go out to these venues whereby my consumer dollar helps keep these business open.

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

Yes

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

I have never had a bad experience. Firstly this is credit to myself for knowing my limits with alcohol but if there are other people who are being a nuisance then it is quickly dealt with by either security guards or police officers.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Of course casinos have the exemption and so do pokies because they make the large amounts of money. Of course the government doesn't want to take into account the large array of businesses that are simply trying to make a source of income. This is preposterous. They have seen what has happened to Sydney and yet they think that it will be different here in Queensland. No.

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 wouldn't affect my social life, I don't mind going out earlier and coming home earlier but there are a lot of people who do mind and also the opportunity to have venues open for more hours does mean more income for both employees and employers.

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

This would certainly effect me. I do not like drinking beer, wine or cider and prefer spirits. What this does encourage is for me to smash down 6 drinks with spirits because the bar closes at 12am and therefore end up being extremely intoxicated.

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 do. The city and fortitude valley in particular is known for being the nightlife zone of south-east queensland and if these laws were to be introduced then this will not be sustainable and will affect everyone in the local area.

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 the most stupidest thing by far. Money money money. Where is the support for artists? Where is the support for performances and live venues? They clearly do not matter because they do not make enough revenue for the government to take a portion of.

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 do not gamble. I do not enjoy pokie machines or casinos full stop. This is not a value-add to my night out in any way and if anything it is encouraging more people to gamble which can be a problem for some or can start a problem where in the past this might not have been an appetizing option.

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 first look to better education. Not just in high school but younger. Growing up in a house hold that has respect for drinking and alcohol tolerance is a great start to developing the right attitudes for young individuals towards social drinking. Most of the problem's the government face comes down to lack of education.

Q: Any other comments?

I will fight for this cause because there are some clear morons who are past the point of their \"youth\" and have lost their touch in representing the country in which they are meant to be representing. I do understand that yes there is violence, and that people are being killed through one punch attacks for example but let me drive this point home one more time.. education!

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 12:42:38 PM

Submission by:
Name: Melanie Campbell

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

Townsville. I work at The Ville Resort & Casino

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

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

Yes

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

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

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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?

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?

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?

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
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:25:38 AM

Submission by:
Name: Nick Arthur

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

Gold Coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

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

Yes

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

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

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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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Matt Rodrigues](#)
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Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 9:08:52 AM

Submission by:
Name: Matt Rodrigues

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.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

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.

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

Yes

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.

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.

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.

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

I work in restaurent bars so this particular ban would not affect me.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 8:08:49 AM

Submission by:
Name: Paul Blee

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

Always lived and worked in Brisbane and have been playing in Fortitude Valley since 1983.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I'm a DJ and work in a number of the smaller bars in and around Brisbane's entertainment districts. I've been running a successful vintage dance night in Fortitude Valley for the last 8 years and have had thousands of people from all walks of life enjoy our dancefloor.

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

Yes

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

Most of my friends come to my dance parties and many of them bring their mates. The club is an integral part of our life and we genuinely look forward to each and every event we put on for people.

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Ridiculous, knee jerk, nanny state reaction to punish the majority of people for the actions of a few. Penalise and prosecute the offenders that break the law.

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 trading hours will mean less work to go around and that will negatively affect the bottom line for me and the bars I perform in.

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

I work in small bars that rely on the cocktail experience. If you can't supply what people want, people will stop coming.

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, small bars and clubs will close meaning job losses for everyone who works in them. Only the big clubs who can absorb the cost of prohibition will survive.

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 will encourage people out of the clubs to the casino for drinks after lock out and that will lead to more problem gamblers.

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?

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 starts in the home so programs that educate young people about alcohol abuse are far better than blanket laws. Kids will find other ways to get blotto, probably at parties in the suburbs where there are no regulations to keep them safe.

Lock up the offenders.

Q: Any other comments?

I dont know where the Government is getting their statistics from. In 30 years of playing in clubs Ive seen very few incidents and when they happen the clubs clear offenders out very quickly so I don't know why the clubs should suffer.

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:46:26 AM

Submission by:
Name: Anna Masci

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

Brisbane. I don't go out often but I do not believe lock outs are efficient, in fact I think they're dangerous. I work in Marketing

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I attend live music concerts

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

Yes

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

Friendly patrons, friendly bar staff, freedom to move venues, live music

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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These rules will cause issues for venues, public transport, taxi's, aggression on the streets and not to mention the casino.

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 and choice

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

I would stop going out after 12pm and this would impact the night economy. I can't drink beer out of plastic and if I can't drink spirits, I won't be buying any drinks

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

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 this is business pulling the puppet strings of politics. We should not be glorifying gambling and attracting people to gambling venues by allowing them to be the only sites serving alcohol after 12pm. Where is our social conscious?

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 an addiction, attending night clubs and live music venues is a social interaction. The two cannot be compared.

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 busses and make them free. More taxi's. Better regulations and oversight in bars of when to stop serving individuals who have had too much to drink.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Scott Elliott](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:44:48 AM

Submission by:
Name: Scott Elliott

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

Cabbie

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Cabbie

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

Take home drunks!

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

No

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

A night out after slavery of our capitalist system

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

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3am closing time GOOD

Lockout BAD Has never worked & causes problems you don't understand or listen to.

Bottlo's closing early, BAD

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?

3am closing would be GOOD

Lockout times are stupid, don't work as imagined & cause problems.

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

Good, especially stop the sale of RUM which is the biggest problem causing spirit.

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?

3am closing will only have positive effects. Banning Rum = positive.
The other ideas go too far.

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?

Who cares.

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 comparison. Bands etc are good for the community. Pokies are good revenue raisers from people stupid enough to play them.

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?

NO LOCKOUT LAWS

3AM closing.

NO RUM on tap or after midnight. Other spirits OK

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Paul O'Kane](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:44:01 AM

Submission by:
Name: Paul O'Kane

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

I have worked hospitality out of university, helping to set up original accord in Cairns. I now own a food business in the Townsville nightlife area

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

Not much anymore. However when my kids start heading out I would rather them be in a nightclub to 5am than a random party.

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

Yes

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

Security

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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In Townsville this would allow the casino to cash up as small operators suffer.

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 effect everybody police can not be everywhere at random parties in the suburbs.

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

This needed to be looked into. If your a dickhead, your always a dickhead. Doesn't matter what you drink.

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 operators in the direct areas will be hurt from food operators to Motels.

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 poker machines are our dramas! I would hate to see the big operators get more revenue and smaller guys get nothing.

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?

Social to anti social

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 hi police numbers in theses areas as it works.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [James Carr](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:39:55 AM

Submission by:
Name: James Carr

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

Work Sunshine Coast
Play Brisbane Valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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

I can spend monthly upto \$1,000 in this region and I am a night owl, I prefer going out at night. I'm not a heavy drinker so why should my friends and I be penalized for other people's lack of self control. I am an adult who is able to make wise decisions. I just happen to like the night life after years of shift work.

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

Yes

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

The positive experience is, it gives me an outlet for someone who is use to being up late thanks to years of nightshift.

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

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I think some drink regulation is OK but early lock out is a joke. We are not children and we are talking about a healthy input to the local economy.

A lot of us enjoy being out due to our lifestyles. It's not uncommon.

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's the disrespect to basic human rights and the freedoms as an Adult to enjoy the things we love. Getting

penalized for a handful of hooligans is poor management on the governments part.

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

Certain drinks, not a problem.

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 it WILL impact a lot of employees.

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?

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?

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 strong drink reduction is a good idea. Crowd control is good. I.E Private security working with local police. However, I think it's a cultural issue. Teaching younger adults better self control when drinking alcohol. Respect for themselves and those around them. It has to start at an education level to help them understand there are consequences for bad choices. One case on the Sunshine Coast someone got \'king hit\' and the courts were lean on his case. No jail time just a slap on the wrist. Government needs to work with the judicial system to curb violence all together by being stricter on violent offenders.

Q: Any other comments?

I hope my input has shed some light?! My friends are counting on it for their livelyhood!

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From: [Bruce Smith](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:29:44 AM

Submission by:
Name: Bruce Smith

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

Townsville

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

I operate two taxis who service the night life in Townsville

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

No

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

All good for the people of TownsvilleSt

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

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Stupid to allow pokies and not drinks

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 my drivers income , therefore mine.

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

Not at all

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 depress an already depressed area

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?

Stupid

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?

Good

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?

Get rid of the Social Drug scene

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Dale Rider](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 7:05:09 AM

Submission by:
Name: Dale Rider

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

I love and work in Brisbane.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

Promotor

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

Yes

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

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

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Not going to solve anything.

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?

Negative impact on freedoms and social life

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Chris Magus](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 6:13:25 AM

Submission by:
Name: Chris Magus

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

I hail from Brisbane and I have built a career in hospitality, I enjoy a few drinks with my friends and coworkers when we finish work in the wee hours of the morning in either Brisbane city or fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

I manage a small bar, giving the best possible customer service

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

Yes

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

It's always amazing meeting and socialising with new people from all different walks of life

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It will do absolutely nothing to curb alcohol induced violence, if anything it will most likely increase it. Party goers will drink heavier at earlier times and everyone will be leaving club's/bars/pubs at the same time instead of spaced over the night, more people on the street at the same time will only increase the chance of violence.

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 at best 30% of my customer Base, worst case scenario 50%, I would lose work hours and money which would severely hinder my livelihood, it would also be impossible to enjoy a few after work drinks with coworkers as we wouldn't finish work until well after the proposed lock out time

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

Our main profit stems from creating cocktails, which if banned pretty much destroys my customer base

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?

Brisbane is a nightlife centred city. Without it many jobs will be lost, tourism will be diminished and opportunities for local music will be all but gone

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?

The government has to offset their losses from losing the taxes they gain from all the alcohol sold during normal trading times. They don't care about the little people working their butts off to survive, as long as they profit

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 absolutely no positive social interaction whilst gambling, you gamble, you go broke, you suffer depression. Whereas you go out for a few drinks with friends and listen to some good music and have a nice fun night and wake up the next day feeling satisfied. The two couldn't be further from each other

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 police presence in the light, encourage chill out stations, hand out bottles of water. Make sure venues are practicing their duty of care.

Q: Any other comments?

Don't let the minority ruin it for the majority.

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From: [Joel caldwell](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 5:15:18 AM

Submission by:
Name: Joel caldwell

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

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

I have a had a lot of good times out with friends, which will be completely ruined if they create new lockout and closing times

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

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This would completely Ruin the nightlife in brisbane. Many jobs would be lost.

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, it would definately have a negative affect on social life. Especially when you start work and are busy these nights are to spend time with friends. With new laws this would restrict this time and would have a large impact in social life.

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

Banning of certain drinks is pointless does not create any benefit so why do it?

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?

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?

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?

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?

Would have more police in areas with clubs and bars.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [ALISTER SMITH](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 3:28:29 AM

Submission by:
Name: ALISTER SMITH

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

CABBIE
PLAY TOWNSVILLE

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Move the PUBLIC

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

I take them into the Strip and then take them Home ..

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

Yes

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

I enjoy taking members of our Community out for a good Time and getting them home safely

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

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It sux .. These persons are Adults to begin with and should be able to enjoy the QUEENSLAND NIGHT LIFE and our unique hospitality at any Hour

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 !

Community Policing would be further stretched . And as a Shift worker limit my Free time by restricting my freedom .

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

WHAT A LOAD OF CROCK THIS RULING IS ..

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 further Community problems all around as the flow on affect will certainly kick in ..

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?

Another stupid and idiotic ruling .. Only covering for the loss of Alcohol sales and Taxes lost due to the proposed legislation

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 ..

Community interaction out ways BLOODY POKER MACHINES ..

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 has been around since ADAM ate that bloody Apple .. This start at the grass roots and goes back to Parenting !

Q: Any other comments?

24 HRS A DAY
ANZAC DAY & XMAS DAY CLOSURES

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From: [Nicholas Grace](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:41:06 AM

Submission by:
Name: Nicholas Grace

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

I live in South Brisbane. I work as a DJ at Woolly Mammoth in The Valley and Rumpus Room in West End

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

My DJ nights bring in at least 1 - 2 million dollars per year

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

Yes

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

I am a music industry veteran who has been performing in the Fortitude Valley for over 15 years.

Approximately 10 years ago when the original lockout laws came in, I was DJ-ing every Saturday night at Rics Cafe in the Valley. As soon as the laws came into effect, my club night started to die, and I lost my job within 3 months.

It has taken me 10 years to build up my business again, and I finally have a successful club night again every Friday and Saturday night in The Valley. I also work Thursday nights in West End.

Due to the current uncertainty about the future of the laws, I am currently unable to even ask about the prospect of a raise, even though my club makes about \$30 thousand every Saturday night for the last year.

I have never personally experienced any violence in The Valley except from Police, Security Guards, and people who were looking to get into a fight. I have noticed though, that the timing of violence seems unrelated to how late it is in the night.

I have also noticed that unnecessary and arbitrary lockout laws contribute to excessively long taxi lines and aggressive behaviour.

My employers, although legitimate and successful, are rightfully terrified of the impact that these laws will have on their business.

The licensing fees and rents leave very little margin for profit (as Saturday night profits have to cover the whole weeks expenses), and the employees like me on the bottom of the food chain do not get a slice of the profits,

especially now that the prospect of massive losses are imminent.

I expect to lose my job again within 3 months of the new laws passing.

IN CONCLUSION:

I implore you to please not change the laws again, as I know from personal experience that any changes will be devastating to the livelihoods of artists and young people who work in the entertainment industry. We do not contribute to violent behaviour.

The police should be able to take care of this, along with responsible service of alcohol, and lifetime bans for violent offenders.

If you would like to talk with me further on this issue, or if you have any further questions, I can be reached at this email address, or by phone on 0417 315 803.

Thank you for standing up against these draconian laws.

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

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- * 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)

As above

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 above

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

As above

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?

As above

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 above

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?

As above

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?

As above

Q: Any other comments?

As above

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From: [Stephanie Payne](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 2:03:09 AM

Submission by:
Name: Stephanie Payne

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

I live in brisbane and work in fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

I work in a bar that currently opens 6 nights a week and trades between 7:30pm and 5:00am on the weekend.
When I am not working, I attend bars and clubs as a patron in the brisbane area.

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

Yes

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

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I believe these proposals will only create more problems. It will encourage preloading on drinks before heading out to clubs, faster consumption of alcohol during serving hours and house parties in suburban areas with absence of security and police. These laws are going to result in businesses closing, job losses and a drop in SEQ economy. Not to mention there is already limited late-night entertainment options in SEQ, so restricting the one thing SEQ does have will result in a lot of bored and angry young adults that will either go to underground networks or move interstate, taking their money with them!

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 been informed by my manager that the proposed lockout and trading hours will result in shut-down, so I

will therefore be unemployed with little job aspects in the industry, as no bars or clubs will be hiring as a result of the reduced trading hours.

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Jamie Grenenger](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 12:17:37 AM

Submission by:
Name: Jamie Grenenger

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

Im a performer in the valley and around SE Queensland and this will hurt my income and will gradually make me think about moving elsewhere as it is my passion and without it will look for a location that will book me. Lockout laws will make it more competitive than it is now which you will see performers like myself go interstate to perform. I also work late of a night time. especially on weekends. we also like to have a social life. These lockout laws will stop late night shift workers of a night out. why is it ok for 9-5 workers to get what they want and for shift workers to lose out. VERY UNFAIR and VERY backwards thinking. I though Brisbane was the city of the future? wont be if this happens.

Listen to the Triple J hack interview. Pretty much explains how stupid this government is in regards to this issue. Cut down alcohol consumption and trading times but heavily promote gambling which is a massive social issue as well.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

Play at selected nights around the valley and GC. also work at a bottle shop which trades till midnight. this will see me only having an hour to get to a pub to have a drink and see mates as this is the only time i get to see them as they all work 9-5.

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

Yes

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

freedom to relax and have a good time. i should be able to go out and enjoy a drink and have a good time with my friends without someone telling me to go home.

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

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stupid proposal. why should the people that go out and have a good time and are respectful suffer? happy for shots and straight spirits to be stopped at midnight but if a venue wants to keep trading. they should be allowed too. people have been trained in RSA, so patrons are monitored until trading stops. BTW if lockout laws happen, casino should be included in these lockout laws. we all know why the govt are looking after the casino \"ching ching\" and its blatantly obvious. Look after your small businesses because they are the ones that are going to vote you out.

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 income, social life as I work nights till midnight. this will mean more people will have house parties which will disturbe neighbours. Illegal parties will come into play.

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

im happy for the stopping of spirits and shots. but do not cut all alcohol out. unnecessary.

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?

alot of people will move out of queensland. my partner and myself have considered it as we obey the rules but like to go out and enjoy ourselves. we will move somewhere else if we are told to go to bed. BTW i will not go out to play pokies. they are the worst thing to hit society. devil machines.

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?

people going out and listening to music and dancing and have a good time or sit down and watch your money go into a machine and go straight to the govt and casino. i know which one i would like to do.

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 for poker machines and they should not exist. rather dance and listen to music than watch my money disappear into hands that right now i do not trust with.

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 in all venues. if you stuff up. you are black listed from all venues. Better security training. i feel is a massive problem and they dont seem to care about anything.

Education and also decrease prices of drinks. pre loading is a serious problem. cheaper the drinks mean people will come to the venue earlier, then staff have a good idea where they are at drinking wise to keep an eye on people.

Q: Any other comments?

stop looking at the opinion of the old and hear the opinion of the youth. we are the ones that are going to shape the future. not the ones sitting at home in their recliner watching a current affair with a cup of tea living off their pension where we are the ones working hard to give them. The govt was young once. just because they stopped going out and having fun doesnt mean we have to. If this goes ahead. LABOUR will kill queensland

tourism.

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From: [Alexander Andersen](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 12:04:44 AM

Submission by:
Name: Alexander Andersen

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

Sunshine coast, tradie and love the nightclubs.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I somehow spend \$200-400 every weekend. If you times that by 500 average people per nightclub, look at how much money the economy is losing, although i could start saving ;)

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

Yes

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

Make more friends, work life balance is achieved..

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

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. More people would leave the clubs earlier. Loss in community value and also might result in more police units being utilised for the wrong behaviour.

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

Be sober at 3am. Woo?

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

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?

Bullshit

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 love the pokies

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?

Embrace freedom. The only way to stop antisocial behaviour is to let people be social.

Q: Any other comments?

Nope

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From: [Nicola chong](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2015 1:01:42 PM

Submission by:
Name: Nicola chong

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

I am from the Gold Coast and I work at elsewhere bar. I love to hang out there as well

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

I'm a lighting technician at elsewhere bar so I guess I contribute to the overall atmosphere of the club

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

I am at the club every weekend and I contribute by creating an ambience in the club. I also make sure that people are having a great time on the dance floor

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

Yes

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

Honestly I've met such beautiful people through the club. Some of which I consider now life long friends. I think it's also a safe and creative place for likeminded people to get together and socialise. There is no judgements of who you are or what you do, we're all there to have a good time.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it's ridiculous considering that in other countries they have the ability to party 24//7 and even in Melbourne they do not have these restrictions. I believe that the restrictions in Sydney have already caused lots of harm to the economy. I know people who have lost their livelihood from clubs closing in Sydney.

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?

Well I would loose a lot of the hours I work since most of my work still carries on from 3-5. I believe many people would feel discourage to come to the club since it's such a limited time frame. Even if we open earlier,

people are still having dinner and won't want to come in earlier.

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

I don't even have my drink until maybe 1? I think that since people over 18 are adults we should be treated like adults and be able to make the choice for ourselves about when we want to drink

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'm Personally going to loose my job and I can see all my friends loosing their jobs. Bar tending is their passion so they're considering moving to Melbourne where the nightlife is still vibrant

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 furious as it promotes gambling which can be a terrible addiction

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 etc helps with culture and exposes people's creativity but poker machines don't actually help anyone's intellect or inspire people

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?

Higher punishment for those who are a negative impact. Example; those with aggressive behaviour having harsher penalties

Q: Any other comments?

I don't believe the statistics that show less violence in Sydney is valid since there are less people going out anyway. So the argument that these lock out laws will help the situation is irrelevant

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From: [Natalie Willmot](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 11:53:43 PM

Submission by:
Name: Natalie Willmot

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

Eye candy

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

Exotic dancer patron

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

Yes

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

I am a therapist, social worker, entertainer, listener. We also provide a safe outlet for those who are sexually inclined to express their desires. If you take away the safe monitored environment (both parties are consenting to the act) imagine what the rape and sexual assault numbers will be? We're already seeing those numbers increase to the sexualisation and women being abused on tv, radio etc the media. They play a much bigger role in influencing young people and their behaviour. Every song you hear is a commercial for some brand of alcohol and or drugs followed by threatening and violent lyrics and gestures by the artists. Taking away the only safe place for people to '\ party\' (our police and security guards do an amazing job) will only make the violence escalate.

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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Promoting gambling is just downright wrong. You can already gamble 24/7 which is much more dangerous. Forcing people to go to the casino will only attract more Gambling addicts and drug addicts alike. All sorts of crime will escalate. People will '\preload\' and '\load up\' before 12am anyway. People will sneak in flasks of alcohol and add it on themselves (a practice that happens a or in a lot of venues since the liquor taxes were increased. Drugs have also been on the rise particularly ice and ecstasy which are so cheap and alcohol has become much more expensive people are opting to do more drugs

and less alcohol to save money. How on earth can that be good for society? Also if we are affected by lockout laws then so should the casinos. Why Are they exempt? You're point of alcohol fuelled violence is invalid if certain venues are exempt? Locking everyone up like sardines in the same place with people they wouldn't normally associate with isn't going to cause issues? The problem people fight is rape culture (most 'punch ups' start in the club because some unknown make has sexually assaulted someone's girlfriend or sister or whatever the case may be. Or a simple misunderstanding, drink spilt, friends having a disagreement, drugs and steroid abuse. Also people get frustrated trying to get home of a morning there's too many people and not anyway for some to get home so they wait. Wait for the trains, buses, lifts etc. when you've been drinking all night and you've worked all week when the night is over you just want to go home. Sometimes you can wait for a taxi for half an hour or more. This is taking away our civil rights and Liberties. We should not be punished for the actions of a few.

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 not have a job or an income, many of my regulars don't come in until midnight I am so I would lose all of my clientele. They work long hours and some have families. It will affect me and all women because rape and sexual assault numbers will skyrocket a lot of the Indian Community refuse to go to brothels but will go to a strip club instead of assaulting some poor girl in the street. Some men cannot control themselves. Most of these men don't drink alcohol to get drunk they may have 5 whiskeys in 4 hours but they're on the rocks and they're enjoyed not slammed. The art of adult entertainment will be lost, our live music and struggling muso scene will diminish to almost nothing. Especially alternate venues like crowbar and bright side who play metal music. An already struggling scene will go back to playing in small houses in west end and done by 10pm because of the noise laws. More young people will take to Roaming the streets. House/street parties will be out of control. You can't stop people 'partying' but you can provide a safe environment for us to do so.

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

It would affect my business as my customers don't finish work until late and therefore don't start drinking until 10pm or later. Most people are finishing dinner after a long day. People will continue to binge drink at home or at house parties etc. Also what's the point in going out if you're only there for 3-4 hours? I can't count the amount of times I've missed lockout (sometimes by a minute) or been refused at 2:55am. People will miss out just because they knocked off work 5 mins late and got the red light and missed the lockout. It's unfair and unjustified.

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 went to Newcastle once. I never went back. I also went to Sydney as an adult of legal drinking age and never went back to either places because they were the two of worst and most boring trips away I have ever had. Brisbane is already Melbourne's annoying little brother if you will. Always trying to keep up and impress. We were heading that way in terms of music, art, nightlife, food, culture. Culture is something that Melbourne is renowned for! If you impose these laws you will take us back to the dark ages and undo all of our beautiful city's 'cultural growth'. You will take away a way of life. The hospitality industry is a thriving one and keeps people coming to and coming back to Brisbane. Queensland will fade away, tourists will stop coming, crime will be rampant, there will be many more job cuts than what you have anticipated. This will create a domino effect. We saw these exact scenarios (aforementioned comments) happen more frequently as a result of the mining bust. We are only really seeing and feeling the negative effects of that loss of revenue and patronage. Do this and this state's economy will plummet. This new casino cannot save the economy on its own.

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 addictive and destructive. More families are torn apart each year over gambling. I used to work in gaming for years prior to this in a range of different venues and I saw more violence and aggression in

TAB's, poker machine and keno areas than I ever did at the bars and nightclubs. Its unjust because gambling and liquor are addictive yet they're legal. Liquor is being restricted yet gambling isn't? Being a night worker and natural night owl my whole life I don't fully wake up until late in the afternoon, dinner around 9 then head out to see a band until 11pm by the time I get to the club I have one hour to drink the type of alcohol I like to drink. The people who are aggressive and violent drinkers are mostly alcoholics that can and will drink copious amounts of anything alcoholic they can get their hands on and drink enough of it until it has the desired effect. Capping and restricting certain drinks will not work in these cases. As they will just load up more on beer or worse. Chroming may also increase.

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?

When you sit and stare at a computer screen for too long you lose track of time and how much you spent. People get lost in those places. They have their own nightclubs, food, bars, cocktail bars etc! All with the flashing lights and winning alarm bells and cheering etc preying on the weak and desperate who wouldn't normally step into a casino under usual circumstances. What's the difference? Alcohol fuelled violence in the bars and nightclubs or at the casino? It's the same result either way the problem will not be fixed. Playing poker machines is boring and mind numbing. Intelligent bright young individuals (future creators of tomorrow, inventors of things we haven't thought of yet) want diversity, stimulation, different media avenues to explore, underground music scene and other less known musicians trying to get their stuff out there on limited funds (everyone has to start somewhere) and drunk people love it and don't notice if you make a mistake it's the perfect platform to start out performing live. Playing poker machines does not contribute to society at all. How does that make us grow and learn and be better people? Music, arts, interactions, meeting new like-minded people (ie- crowd at 2am to see the a local band play and leave having made some new friends bonding over music) , sharing life experiences. Poker machines are depressing and do not encourage people to interact or be social at all. I would not call playing the pokies a social activity.

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?

Reduce the amount of noise the clubs make. Often the volume is up way to loud and is contributing to a lot of the misunderstandings which result in physical violence because one person misheard the other. (I have sorted out many a fight over this exact scenario)

Stop/penalise venues which serve \$3 basics etc there should be a set price for a minimum charge for a drink,.

Uni students especially load up on these cheapies (sometimes 4 at a time per person)

More and harsher penalties imposed for those who do display negative behaviour of violence.

This is the most important. In over 10 years of being in hospitality (I've managed venues, functions, worked as a cook, apprentice, gaming attendant and bartender) the amount of repeat offenders I encountered causing trouble in multiple venues over time was staggering. These people just kept getting away with it and kept pushing it. They didn't care if they got kicked out they would just walk around the corner and go into the next venue. We need a tough love BANNING SYSTEM. If you are asked to leave a venue more than once in a period of 3 months or something you get a warning (which is recorded as a strike on your record)

As for any form of physical violence both parties (if 1st offence) are banned from the nightclubs altogether so if any venue in Qld scans that persons ID it will come up a red flag saying banned, details of the ban, date of ban, days until patron may return and will lock the operator out of the system and the manager must come down and clear the screen to make sure that patron does not sneak in after being banned. I guarantee you if I couldn't go out past 10pm (ban plus curfew; of the nightclub precincts or anywhere with an ID scanner) one punch death cases should have a ban of 5 years.

Anyone else involved in severe aggressive behaviour should be banned for 12 months to 2 years

I guarantee if I couldn't go out where all my friends were to party I would be sad and I would certainly think twice before starting anything when I am finally off my ban. Punishing those who abuse their alcohol and create violence will be filtered out and that's enough to scare most people into behaving. They might appreciate our nightlife a little more and each other.

Q: Any other comments?

I don't think the mental health system can handle the amount of inpatients they're going to have to intake if this

all goes ahead. My industry has been suffering for a couple of years now since the mining bust and this is just another kick in the guts for Queenslanders. We are struggling individually, families, as a state, as a nation, as a planet. Please don't put us below the poverty line just to make the casino owners happy or because they lobbied and had the most money to get the laws passed. It's profit funneling and downright wrong! Think about what you're doing? At a time when we should be creating jobs we're talking about destroying 150 million worth of already perfectly fine jobs. All because of the actions of a few? I see the security at our venue turn away so many customers and he's unsure if they're intoxicated or not they don't even get the benefit of the doubt anymore the bars and clubs have had a zero tolerance policy and have tightened up on all the rules over the last few years as far as I could see we were losing business already just by complying with the new bikie laws, changes to the responsible service and all the one punch deaths. We saw a dramatic decrease just by keeping an eye on people and refusing those who the security were unsure of no chances. And 80% of our customers are told to have a water for 10-15 mins before their first drink. We have adequate seating, low volume music (so you can still hear each other's whilst engaged in conversation) distractions from alcohol (girls on stage as if you want to be at the bar when you've got a show to watch) and our staff are trained in RSA and go above and beyond looking after our patrons. The violence in strip clubs is minuscule compared to the levels being discussed here in other venues across Qld. I don't agree with these laws whatsoever at all but I'm calling your bluff on 'alcohol fuelled violence' as the reason for this drastic intervention because of that we're the case strip clubs would be treated the same as casinos. But that's not the case now is it? Because as far as I'm concerned we don't have any. The majority of our 'incidents' are when customers are told the rules 3 times and they sexually violate one of the girls and are asked to leave and want their money back. That's often the case. Has nothing to do with alcohol at all. Let's work out a solution together that benefits both parties. Maybe even a trial basis? We have 6 months or 12 months or something to clean it all up and get the numbers at record lows and then maybe impose some different punishments. This punishment just affects too many people and their livelihoods, for some their survival for the awful actions of sociopaths who cannot handle the cocktail of drugs, alcohol, pre workout and steroids they had before coming out. That's the real issue. Not the place and provisions taken away or restricted. Like I said before people will still do it if they want to it just won't be at that location where there is safety. I'm begging you; you will ruin a lot of lives with this. Please reconsider.

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Submission by:
Name: Ben Rippingale

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

I'm from the Gold Coast, and play in SEQ

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

Dancing the night away has been a part of life for generations around the globe dating back centuries for good reason. You get to express yourself and relate to others in social settings not available during daylight hours. For millions of people this has led to meeting their significant other with whom they will spend the rest of their lives; releasing stress through interacting with others; becoming more comfortable with who they are as a person, free from the restrictions of professional, academic or family culture; as well as having a really great time. Happiness is not a commodity that comes easily and should not be undervalued.

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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These proposals reduce opportunities for residents and visitors to engage in inherently cultural and social activities (live music, dancing, partying) while protecting inherently anti-social activities (gambling). In an increasingly disconnected world this is another nail in the coffin of socialising, modern culture, live music, live comedy, and our ability to enjoy ourselves as we choose.

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\'s the mark of a nanny state, undervaluing the positive impact on society that the happiness of its citizens can deliver.

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

It will encourage a certain group of people to smuggle their own spirits in collapsible containers, and pre-load even more heavily, and drink a lot faster earlier, and create a market for underground warehouse parties, and encourage them to drink in parks.

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 QLD is to attract and retain students and talented young professionals to grow our economy, a thriving, vibrant nightlife is essential. If QLD wishes to attract young tourists and corporate events, a thriving, vibrant nightlife is essential. If QLD wishes to contribute to modern Australian and western culture by providing more opportunities for live music and comedy to perform, a thriving, vibrant nightlife is essential. Without it, we will become a beige state with a lot of people staying at home watching telly, dreaming of a better life, and a small income stream derived from relieving pensioners of their money via poker machines.

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?

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?

Permitting venues who promote live music and comedy to be exempt from lockouts will provide a massive boost to the cultural heritage of QLD and Australia. A new market would open to local bands, performers and artists that would not only add to the rich tapestry of modern QLD culture, but foster an export market for the music and live performances that would flourish in such an environment. Such cultural benefit is much further reaching and more important than any benefit obtained by allowing all night gambling. If Casinos, who do nothing to directly add to the cultural growth of our state and young people, are permitted to operate all night without restriction, why shouldn\'t venues that foster young talent and contribute to our cultural heritage be allowed to do so as well?

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?

Provide an option for late night venues to share access to a linked security system employing facial recognition technology to identify people exhibiting anti-social behaviour in their establishments and red flag them for that night. The system would be required for all venues wishing to serve alcohol after 2AM and get activated at midnight. It could be financed through a gambling levy on Casinos and late night poker machine venues.

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Devon Mather

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

I'm from Byron but live in Surfers Paradise, due to it being a fast growing city with a lot of opportunities and entertainment.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Patron

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

Yes

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

A large portion of my friends enjoy meeting up at clubs for great live music, and support local businesses

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The proposed laws are ridiculous and rather than solve alcohol fueled violence seem geared to better serving the gambling industry.

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 spend less time and money supporting local businesses varying from restaurants, cafes, bars, and nightclubs.

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

I wouldn't go out as often as most venues would suffer financially and the offerings they have for quality entertainment would diminish.

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 would foresee businesses and employees in the industry losing their jobs, much like the effects that have been seen in Kingscross.

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 a backwards policy, any government backing gambling over arts and entertainment. Doesn't have their citizens core interests at heart.

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 met the majority of my closest friends in late night venues, like Elsewhere on the Gold Coast. These friends have played a huge role in networking across a wide range of industries. Something that gambling rarely provides.

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 drug and alcohol education in high school. Focus more attention with RSA at large beer garden type venues where people are able to get drunk with less oversight.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Kayla Gutierrez

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

I have worked in hospo for a good couple of years. In the places I've worked, I have never seen what you are explaining as unacceptable behavior.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Bar work, dj

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

I work in a bar and dj most nights.

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

Yes

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

Every night for me is a positive one.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It's ridiculous. Why are you punishing everyone for a few patrons idiotic mistakes. Make the punishment more severe, don't let them get off scott free..

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 result in less work and less money for me. As a 23 year old and mortgage owner, this can't happen. I can't afford these setbacks

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

More people will turn to illegal substances, may as well buy a pill for \$5 more than a shitty cocktail which won't get you drunk

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. Have heard what it's doing to the cross in Sydney. And thanks a lot, I never got to experience the cross and thanks to you lot I never will!

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 does that make any sense? Let's not let people making a living, make a living but let's give the venues with government revenue raising schemes even more traffic. Sure lets push everyone into gambling problems. Oh wait, more money for you!

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 a poker machine is a single, one person thing to do. At least when you're clubbing you're with your friends, being social. Not staring at a screen all night, losing your all money.

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?

As said above, don't punish everyone for a couple of persons mistakes. Harsher penalties for perpetrators. Seems to me the younger generation is getting less and less violent anyway.

Q: Any other comments?

Pls don't ruin the valley and city like you did to the cross. I like Brisbane and I want to stay. I love my city, but I won't if you force shitty ideas like this onto us.

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Nicole Armstrong

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

I have grown up on the gold coast all my life.
I have previously worked at Elsewhere bar on the coast but after travels and job changes I find this place my home away from home.
The social sanctuary for many gold coasters. This venue will not run the same with these lock out laws in place

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Marketing/door staff for a hospitality group

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

I am the consumer, the most important aspect of the industry and love spending my spare time appreciating talented artists and their music. This experience will no longer exist with these laws.

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

Yes

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

It's like family. Not night life, I've recently been travelling and coming back this community makes me feel like I never left.

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

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I think this is going to cause more troubles in the long run as our establishment runs of its late nights as the bar does not open til 10 alot of customers work in the same industry til midnight and come over for drinks after not being able to have a cocktail after 12 or being kicked out right after you arrive is ridiculous.
The laws we have now are amazing and are known world wide for the great trust we have in the community.
Why change it now for a few drunken idiots to ruin it all. Crack down on the street patrols and not the businesses. The drunken drugged out idiots are on the streets not in the establishment we don't allow them into our bar with our strict door policy.

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

I would no longer spend money in the industry and would never go out. This would affect me socially and would be depressing for all my friends who would be out of a job.

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

Elsewhere is a high end social club where cocktails and fancy bar flares speak their name. Bring in this rule and guaranteed that the sales would drop to an almost forced closure.

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

This is the exact reason why we don't want this rule to come in
Artists would be without gigs
Patrons without a social club and staff without a wage.
How in anyway is the laws affective?

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 truly unfair and shouldre evaluate this decision.

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 want to ban drinking at certain hours from a club that is renown for its service yet you want to keep poker machines available for use to encourage gambling at all hours but having a drink after work is a crime now.....

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 streets where the higher risk bars are should be patrolled. Put more of the government's money into protecting the businesses and their behaved patrons. Soon the hooligans will realise they can't get away with their behaviour and changes will come with time

Q: Any other comments?

Please actually read what we have written

You will notice an influx of comments specifically from elsewhere staff and patrons. It's important to us we protect one of the longest running social clubs on the goldcoast not try shut it down.

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Submission by:
Name: Jove Dave

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

Brisbane & Chermside

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

Hosting/promotion & DJ

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

Yes

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

Friends, family and strangers escaping their problems for a few hours and having fun, smiling, dancing and socialising.

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

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Not 100% sure.

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?

Wouldn't affect me much except if I was DJ a closing slot.

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

If it's happening everywhere there it will all be the same and wouldn't specifically change my business. 12am

is defiantly to early to have certain drinks ban as it's the time when you are usually about to get to a peak for the night.

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?

Some employees would loose a couple hours work. As long as there are reasonable working conditions and they're still getting the same benefits.

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?

People go out for the music and atmosphere not to sit at pokies and this will also harm the up and coming musicians.

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?

Terrible question. Of course not, not even close.

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 punishments on fights and people causing trouble. With significant evidence ONLY have yearly bands on venues and not allow them entry for long periods. Have more people observing people buying at bars of to intoxicated. Security gaurds more HELPFULL and actually helping people and talking to them properly about slowing down and helping get home or to another venue. Not just grab them and throw them out.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: abhi Nimhan

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

go out on weekends to celebrate some occasion sometimes buying food and drinks helping some businesses and youth earn some money

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

Yes

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

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

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government being too controlling and suppressing ones freedom and choice. no shots policy is acceptable though

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 definitely will. don't think many of my friends would want to go out & we would rather celebrate at home. so go figure

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

won't affect my experience but I would support some legislation like this considering one has to take some step to reduce over alcohol abuse. my issue is with lockout and closing time

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?

definitely. If less people go out then what are the chances of jobs and business survival? specially people from outer suburbs of brisbane wouldn't even bother going if places shut down so early

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?

seems like one industry is given more preference over the other for some reason

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?

well attending night clubs is not a addition to start with

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 in the form of advertising and possibly providing more security at night

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:09:54 AM

Submission by:
Name: Julian Cullen-arthurs

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

I am from Brisbane and have lived in Auchenflower my whole life. I have a lawn mowing business and have done so through out high school and since I graduated in 2012

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a punter and enjoy going out for special occasions such as birthdays and the odd night just for fun.

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

Yes

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

Fun fun fun. It is fun to go out and dance like a idiot. I can't do that without drinks because I'm too self conscious. If these lock out laws go through I would definitely consider drugs and a alternative. This would further ruin the nightlife as bars and clubs wouldn't be making money from me.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Yea I find it a bit disgusting to have casinos on a completely separate bunch of laws. Meaning after lock out when people are still drunk and have only just started there night they are forced into the casino as that's the only place to get a drink. I don't want Qld to become more of a nanny state. How about more education on violence. More police presents and heavier fines. Or a simple if you are involved in a fight you can't go into the valley after 6pm for 12 months. Maybe some more common sense and not just taking the easy road while helping out the poor casino owners at the same time (sarcastic)

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. I wouldn't see friends. I would most likely take drugs etc.

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

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?

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?

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?

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 heavier fines and much much more education. If you are involved in a fight you get a life time ban or 12 month etc. maybe smarter laws not just the easy route to punishing everyone including the majority who do the right thing

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:21:12 AM

Submission by:
Name: TJ Leota

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

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?

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: Any other comments?

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From: [Imogen Thomson](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Imogen Thomson

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

From Brisbane, go out with friends most weekends to see them play sets and work in the valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

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

Currently work in a bar in fortitude valley

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

Yes

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

It's fun to see gigs as well as just go out and have a dance with friends

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Disagree totally, this will only make people start drinking earlier and won't impact their plan to end alcohol fuelled violence. You only have to look at the UK to see that this won't change any of that, people will still get drunk only this time you're also damaging the nightlife culture

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 at a dancer bar in the valley and although we open at 7 our busiest times are between 2-5 am. Between those hours are most of our biggest income so you can bet this will cause loss of jobs. Not only work wise, but going out on weekends also as really have less time to spend with friends out/ see gigs

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

In my work most people order a round of shots or just shots for themselves when it comes to getting a dance to take the edge off

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 closing is a definite with these lockout laws. If you end up seeing a gig and want to go out with your friends after your kind of stuck in that one place due to these laws. I know particularly in my work there would be a definite amount of job losses, due to the busiest times being between the new proposed lock out laws.

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 to be casinos and etc get a different set of rules since it benefits the government

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'm 20 and I can't think of the last time I went to a casino. Most people around my age to at least 25 would much rather go to a club or a bar and catch you with friends and drink than waste their money sitting around a poker machine

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 security or even behavioural programs in schools. The people part of these 'one punch' incidents are really looking for an excuse to get violent. This is less to do with excessive drinking than it is a behavioural problem

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Aydan Sturgess](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Aydan Sturgess

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

I'm from Brisbane. I work for Revelry Entertainment but have been in this industry since i was 18. I currently live in the Fortitude Valley / New Farm which i have for the past 14 years. I pretty much live and breath this industry.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Run entertainment for venues & DJ

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

Currently Managing the entertainment and doing different jobs for 10 - 15 Bars, Clubs & Pubs. We look after everything bars and nightclubs may need. DJs, Live music, Marketing, Social Media, Graphic Design. The list goes on and on. I also DJ for a living at some of the bigger clubs / bars.

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

Yes

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

The whole time has been positive. Thats why i still do what i do. Good music, Good people and a great state (ATM). Not much more you can ask for.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Lets put it this way. I live in the fortitude valley mall and i don't have any issues with the late night economy. I've also spent every weekend out for the past 14 years. If anything over the past four years with the stronger police presence i have seen an extreme drop in violence around my home. I just don't understand how stopping people from going into venues at this time in the morning is going to stop alcohol fueled violence. The venues are the safest places for people to be. After watching and hearing everything that has been going on over the past couple of months it seems like the government is pushing people towards gambling. You can still gamble all night at the Casino yet you can't have a drink after 2am in the morning. It blows my mind that the people that we are meant to trust think this way. Its disgusting. People are going to drink regardless of what laws you

put into place. You're just going to move the problem to another area. But at the same time ruin the states proud music industry and late night culture. This seems like a band Aid solution to a much bigger problem.

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 loose much at first. But once all the businesses start closing due to stripped back income i would then start losing clients. It would only be a matter of time before i'm out of work. And this is what i do

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

This is possibly the most stupid idea i have ever seen. You can still buy a whisky and coke but can't order a whisky straight. How is this going to change anything. The simple answer is its not.

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 the same thing happening here that happen in Sydney.

- Small businesses owners going out of business.
- Jobs Loses, All over the board just not in nightclubs
- Another of Australia's once thriving music scenes dying. (it won't come back)
- It will kill this fortitude valley. All because of a couple of peoples mistakes

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 sickens me that this is not more publicly scrutinized. How is this ok ? Gambling is a much bigger problem then alcohol fuel violence. And to be honest gambling is most probably the cause of most alcohol fueled violence. It is sickening that our government thinks this is ok.

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?

Wouldn't u much rather our money going to support local business owners and musicians ? . Catch up with friends and have a couple of laughs instead of sitting by yourself looking at a screen spending your money. This is honestly why i think they're putting these laws into play. More money for them. But at the same time ruining peoples lives

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 solution right now but i think it all comes down to educating the youth a little better. Also finding out why the bad eggs are doing these bad things. Its not the alcohol thats making them go out and hit someone at 3am in the morning. Its they're upbringing and drives them to drink alcohol. Alcohol is the last resort. its the problems before alcohol that are leading to bad choices. Closing venues early is not going to solve anything. Just kill a great town

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:37:40 AM

Submission by:
Name: Nathan Bethell

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

i am from the Gold Coast. I work for a resin flooring company as sales/ estimation. I like to play at Elsewhere nightclub.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

a Patron.

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

Yes

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

the culture and the people you meet.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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that it will not work.

simply put, it will be the same as what exists now. when lockout comes it will flood the streets with people, causing issues. It is not the way.

The Gold Coast/ Surfers Paradise area is renowned for its nightlife. Take that away and you take away tourism and income.

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 effect my freedoms.

I have the right to go and let my hair down when i feel the need. and this law is restricting my lifestyle choices.

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

as above.

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, loss of tourism and loss of the Charm that the Gold Coast/ Surfers has of nightlife.

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 money is all that matters. This is ridiculous. So you will happily allow gambling to continue when there is such a larger epidemic at hand with that than people having a drink as they have done for Thousands of years..

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?

how is it a community benefit to play poker machines. You are just replacing a problem with another problem.

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'm not saying i have all the answers and this is a tough one. but ultimately i think its just a general problem that comes hand in hand with anything. You are always ALWAYS going to get these people who spoil it for the rest. That's human nature. One thing that i despise is when they are the ones make the government bodies implement these rules. Which is crazy because from my experiences of clubbing for 8 years, the majority of people do the right thing.

Q: Any other comments?

Our government should have no right to enforce these laws without a vote from the people involved.

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From: [Emily Gray](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Emily Gray

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

I am from the western suburbs of Brisbane. I've spent my adult life so far working in the hospitality and retail of this side of town and have grown to love the nightlife opportunities around.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

I have worked as a waitress on licensed premises in the past and have since moved away to work that allows me to organise my own business ideas at nighttime

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

Yes

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

Even though in Brisbane there are bars that are a bit of a dive everything feels safe. If anything these crappier bars are often the most fun to attend on nights out. I have never once encountered a violent situation in my time out at night and the vast majority of people behave well even when heavily under the influence.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I feel as though once again this is a case of the government unfairly punishing everyone for the acts of a small group of idiots. Not only does this punish people like myself and nearly all of my friends who have about 3 nights out a year where we enjoy making the most of a long night of dancing with friends it will heavily impact the industry as a whole. Why not bring in more laws relating to violence? The King Hit rules brought in several years back have performed well but these could easily be extended to any form of drunken violence without ruining the amazing nightlife culture that we have as a city

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 is just one massive loss of freedom. There are very few people out there who abuse their abilities to go out clubbing for the night drinking and a massively minor amount of people will be ruining this for everyone. I know many musicians who will be greatly affected by this and as one myself I feel as though the government doesn't realise the full range of people who will be harmed by this. Look at all the amazing Australian artists who have been coming out each and every year bringing good press to Aus and amazing music to the world and remember that every single one of them would've started in a bar.

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

Usually around 12am I tone back my drinks anyway (I'm very lightweight). I know not many people do this but the government shouldn't be babying us. I'm sure many of them had at least one wild night out in their youth

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 many issues. Particularly for musicians. I know many of my friends who are trying to make it work at all sorts of late hours in bars to try to get their music out there and heard. Sure triple j exists but it doesn't offer the same opportunities that the nightlife of Brisbane does. As a student of the entertainment industries I know bringing in these laws will kill Brisbanes main advantage over the rest of Aus. It is very little known outside of the industry but we have the best night-based music culture in the country and one of the best in the world. Why not advertise that so people actually want to come here for holidays? Seriously bringing in these laws not only kills hospitality it will do untold damage to the tourism industry too and completely shut the door on Brisbanes best asset

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 choice has very obviously been made because the government gets a tonne more from people gambling. I'd say that it's just as bad as drinking and I can't wait to see what happens if this legislation passes in regards to the rate of gambling issues. This is a very short sighted law

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 enjoy giving my money away on chance. And poker machines are extremely antisocial so this is the worst idea ever

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'd bring in more laws directly related to the violence. The one punch can kill campaign obviously worked to great success especially backed with laws relating to King hits. Why not bring in more laws punishing any form of violence under the influence regardless of outcome? There are enough cameras in the main drinking areas that it would be quite easy to enforce and it might mean the few idiots would actually learn to control themselves

Q: Any other comments?

Honestly there are much bigger problems in this state/country relating to domestic violence and violence against women than this. Do you see the government doing anything about that? I'd love to see legislation about schools having to teach all students about concepts of domestic and sexual violence and what to do if you find

yourself in this situation. A good hard hitting campaign about sexual and domestic violence would be amazing and this would lead to a much greater decrease in the general rates of violence for our state. Especially considering there is a ridiculous amount of stigma around the matter which keeps most of the victims in the dark

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Hollie Taylor

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

Work & play in city & fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I inject money into the night time economy

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

Yes

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

Meeting my current partner and many of my friends

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

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Nope!

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 negatively affect my social life

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

Badly

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 downturn the area I live

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?

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?

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?

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: Mina Gilbert

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

I am from Brisbane and I live 40 minutes from the city and I work in Cannon Hill

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I play the role of an Australian citizen and I spend most weekends in the valley precinct enjoying the night life and helping contribute to the local businesses and night life

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

Yes

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

i have enjoyed every night I have been out wether in Brisbane City/fortitude valley or down at the Gold Coast, majority of people I see are all getting along trying to have a good time but lock out is only a couple hours around the corner

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think that it ruins it for the businesses that make all their money during those hours and it's not fair on the people who aren't ready to stop partying and those who choose to miss behave should be dealt with how they have been dealt with in the last, being locked up for the night or being fined

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 may not currently work or hold a job in this industry I have thought about it before and if these laws get put in place it restricts the options of work I have in that industry & it would majorly effect my freedom and social

life because I enjoy spending a lot of my weekends out on the town making and meeting new people and experiencing what all young people should be able to experience

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

It would majorly effect the businesses because then they are limited to what they can sell and it just risks annoying public patrons and they also miss out because of the limited drinks available

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 whole of my city/ valley precinct would become a ghost town, the night life of Brisbane City is already what's keeping these places alive and I feel that not only businesses but the public would be majorly effected

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 all the different rules the government are preparing to put in place are silly, it's not fair to permit certain bars puns and clubs with particular rules and then give different rules to other pubs and clubs

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 worse addiction to cater to then social drinking and partying

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 are no better ways then to bring in more police force to contain and control the few people here and there that take things out of control and need to be taken away

Q: Any other comments?

As a teenager that has just turned 18 this past January I would like to say I love going out with my friends and family and getting to experience and be a part of the Brisbane City and fortitude valley night life but I myself have been disadvantaged because we already have 3am lock out which is really early considering a lot of people like to head out a bit later but I would more than agree with 5\oclock close lockout/closedown

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Submission by:
Name: Daniel Vasiliou

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I, and many others play the role of customers in the night time economy, without us there isn't anything.

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

Yes

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

Meeting new people and being able to stay out until sunrise.

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

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It is ridiculous, nannying the population for nothing. If anything it is a ploy to raise more revenue in casinos.

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?

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

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Morgan Baker

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

I am from Brisbane, I have worked at Nightclubs in and around Brisbane for 8+ years.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I work for nightclubs managing DJ's & working in an entertainment team. As well as working as a DJ on the side (for my 2nd business)

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

Yes

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

I have had ALOT of positive experience's from working in the night-time economy. Meeting a lot of friends I will have for life, experiencing diverse music at many different venues around the valley, the list goes on..

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

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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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)

I think it is beyond pathetic, I can't believe how little thought has gone into a statewide/national issue. It's clear that these '\politicians\' have zero idea about the issue, NSW lockout laws proves this.

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?

Firstly, I would lose my FULL TIME job working for nightclubs. My hours would drastically decrease and eventually the club could go out of business.

Secondly, I would lose my hours for my 2nd business and completely have no money to live off. It would

destroy my income

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

Would drastically decrease the amount of hours work I get..

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 many job losses and an industry be completely destroyed in this city. The nightlife and music culture will diminish to almost nothing...

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 just doesn't make sense to me, I really just don't know how this okay for the government to be doing. A lot of Australian's clearly has a gambling issue, but thats another story...

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?

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 laws for people in fights, banning people from Entertainment Precincts for longer periods of time, anti-social behaviour adds on TV/Radio/etc etc

Q: Any other comments?

Brisbane Nightlife has dominated my youth, I wouldn't know what I would do without it.

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From: [Jamila Newcombe](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 10:34:16 AM

Submission by:
Name: Jamila Newcombe

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

Brisbane. Sales. Live music venues and bars and clubs in the Valley and City.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

Being that a lot of my friends work in the music industry (are singers, musicians and performers) being able to have drinks and celebrate or catch up throughout the night is sometimes the only time that works (as I work during the days). Brisbane's restaurants and other venues around south bank & the city, already close down FAR too early compared to other cities like Sydney and Melbourne. You can't go and hang out with friends after 12 unless you're at the club here, and now proposals to change even this will make Brisbane a ghost town.

Many young people and young adults work in hospitality and can't have their time to enjoy some drinks or music until they finish work. An even earlier lockout would inhibit all those people who work in industries that operate at night. People will get drunk if they want in Australia, and many do it during the day. Lockouts and serving restrictions won't change the issues some people really have with alcohol, so you can't impose a punishment on whole industries and communities just to ATTEMPT to deal with someone's personal issues.

Invest more in educating young men and women on the importance of mental health care, and campaign to eliminate the stigma of seeing a counsellor. People who are using alcohol to suppress deep personal issues, will get drunk and be aggressive anytime and anywhere. There is a deeper issue here which you won't resolve by only cutting the leaves off. Get to the root.

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

Yes

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

I've had many positive experiences being able to network and meet people at different bars and clubs. I used to be a hip hop dancer and we used to literally dance all night when we went out, and many of the people I hung with didn't even drink but we're out till 4/5am just dancing!

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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Lockout at 1am

Is just not feasible as I talked about for people who work in music, entertainment, creative industries etc. many young people who are musicians, performers or entertainers finish late and if they want to go out it's usually just around 12 or 1am. Rushing this lockout will deter people from making it out at all and will damage Brisbane as a new place to live or tourist location. Sydney has been lucky because it's a bigger city with a lot more to do. Brisbane will become a ghost town on weekends and this will severely damage its reputation and tourism efforts.

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 move back to Melbourne.

As mentioned Brisbane already is embarrassing when it comes to taking people out to eat at later hours of the night. Not everyone is part of a young family and goes to bed at 11pm, so show some respect for the younger community and allow them to have their enjoyments. Lockouts will deter many people from going out at all which will mean the whole nightlife industry will suffer and then the community will suffer as a result.

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

Cocktails are attached to special occasions - many won't want to celebrate their special occasions out which will in turn affect the profits of many bars and clubs possibly putting many out of business.

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 closing. Job losses. Tourism affected. Brisbanes reputation will be even more affected and you can expect to lose lots of tourism dollars to Melbourne city.

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.

Again no respect for the younger community who are the younger generation, studying hard and working hard. Are you trying to make Brisbane a retirement city!?

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?

Again, is this a retirement village? Young people have been parting and attending nightclubs for decades. Why now are you proposing changes to community enjoyment?

As I said, deal with the real issues. Encourage mental health plans for people who struggle with alcohol abuse and gambling - don't punish the community because some have personal issues.

This is not a nanny state.

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?

Propose a campaign that relieves the stigma of seeing a counsellor to deal with abuse, hardships, grief and domestic violence etc.

Get to the root of real issues that people are struggling with. Aggression and bullying needs to be handled in schools and people showed care and sensitivity in the workplace.

Alcohol abuse happens any time and any where and it's not the fault of the nightlife industry.

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
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 10:34:33 AM

Submission by:
Name: Rhiannon deaves

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

I have worked in hospitality for 6 years and to add these restrictions to our bars and clubs reduces the industry with jobs and bosses cutting hrs this industry is hard enough to stay a float and now your making it harder.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Functions/ restaurant supervisor

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

I have many friends that work in bars late nights and I also work for a tavern who\'s license allows us to be open till 3

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

Yes

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

This is a great environment to work in the people u meet along the way from travels and adventure

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Who\'s making money of this cause it\'s not the clubs or pubs I can tell u that.

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 would affect my hrs and my fellow staffs hrs if where not open for long trade we won\'t need as many people on.

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

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?

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?

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?

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?

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
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 10:35:45 AM

Submission by:
Name: Rebecca Salter

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

Brisbane and I love the nightlife in Brisbane and the Gold Coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

Yes

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

Great nights out!

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Lame and just plain boring that is not what you call a great night life in Brisbane and why now???

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 affect my social life greatly!

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

I don't think it's fair to ban certain types of drinks as there are a lot of responsible drinkers and ones who get to drunk just get kicked out anyway... The lockouts will cause more drunken fights especially on the streets when

people are told that drinks are finished or they are locked out earlier and leave when intoxicated

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 all of that happening

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?

Pokie machines are just as bad if not worse then people drinking in pubs

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 mostly just steal your money and can become addictive...

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Joey Curtis](#)
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: Joey Curtis

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

I have lived in Fortitude Valley for 7 years, having lived in Brisbane for 20 years all up. I am in media, and have worked in advertising, the arts and in hospitality. Fortitude Valley is my backyard.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in associated creative industries

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

My role is to relate the lifestyle, events, culture, artists and happenings of all the economy, including the night time economy, to my readership spanning across the East Coast of Australia, from the Sunshine Coast, to Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sydney and Melbourne.

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

Yes

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

I am always looked after by authority figures, services from security to hospitality in restaurants and bars in entertainment precincts and always enjoy my nights out. I have worked in a cocktail lounge, looking after patrons while acting as mediator to authority, and while I worked hard, it's a great industry to be involved in.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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These proposals are unnecessary and will simply kill any night time culture we have. They are aimed only at those who break the laws and cause disturbances: why punish everyone when only those who deserve it should be punished? While I no longer go out late any more and prefer to stay home on the weekends, it is my right to be able to enjoy where I want to go, with whomever I wish to at what ever time of the day or night I like. I work hard to be able to enjoy the opera, DJs, ballet, theatre, bars, clubs, dining rooms on offer from our vibrant cities.

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 will be an overflow effect seeing less venues unwilling to invest with us as a lifestyle media outlet, with us having to reduce our employees.

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

There will be an overflow effect seeing less venues unwilling to invest with us as a lifestyle media outlet, with us having to reduce our employees. Also, since I work late hours, I will not be able to enjoy my own time over a late beer, wine or dinner.

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 flow on effect will affect everyone and no doubt see partying go to private homes or away from areas lacking in proper security and policing.

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 just wrong. It's not okay to dance but it is okay to gamble? The government taxes alcohol too - so what's the difference? There is far more culture in dance music, DJs, bands and our youth than there is in pokie machines which are anti social and disruptive to homes and families.

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?

When have poker machines ever benefitted the community?

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 how everything operates with ID scanning, a great security system and sensible liquor licensing laws gives us a great nightlife culture. More policing and CCTVs will always be welcomed.

Q: Any other comments?

Stop being a nanna state and imposing so many restrictions and rules upon us. Don't punish everyone simply because of the wrong few who can't control themselves. There are only 5,000 inhabitants in the Valley alone, with more than 15,000-20,000 people descending from around the city, state and interstate bumping up the numbers every weekend. Let us enjoy our nightlife and have our rights. We work so hard and are taxed so hard for this: give us this so we too can enjoy our lifestyle.

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From: [Kendall Banks](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Kendall Banks

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

New Zealand
Play at The Met Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

Provide music for people

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

Yes

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

I get to have an awesome time every weekend playing to a rad crowd at The Met

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

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I find it ridiculous! I'm in the valley every weekend and I haven't seen a fight for over 6 months. I don't see how a few people doing the wrong thing can affect everyone else who head out for the right reasons.

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 definitely affect my job as a lot of my shifts are 3-close. Such a cool vibe around the club late at night, would suck to lose it.

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

I don't see the point of that at all! I love having a few drinks before and after I play, calms the nerves a bit aswell. Whether it's a shot or a water I wouldn't have more intention of being violent, just like most people.

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 these! If Sydney is anything to go off, the same thing could happen up here. Would suck to lose what all the Brisbane clubs have built the nightlife up to be.

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 sounds like there looking for an easy target. I've seen plenty of fights in casinos.

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'm not into poker machines at all. The feeling of watching live music or seeing a DJ you've always wanted to see is all time!

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?

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: jordan.smith

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

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I am a contributor to the economy through the money i spend at local business\` in the Brisbane nightlife scene

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

Yes

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

Meet lots of new people and see great live music

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

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Will destroy nightlife as we know it

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,a and a lacking social life

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

I dont deink beer ao i couldnt enjoy myself

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 destroy the valley

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 disgusting

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 is actually social

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?

Create a better relationship with the community and the police

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: Patrick Kirkman

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

I was born and raised in Brisbane and I work at GPO Hotel as a DJ

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

I work as a DJ, generally playing the closing shifts from 3-5am.

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

Yes

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

Working as a DJ has formed many bonds of friendship as well as the joy of bringing music to people to help them enjoy their night out.

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 believe the proposals are short sighted and really do not have the patron or the worker in mind.

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 more than likely result in me losing my job. My slot being when the lockout is in place, I would no longer be finding work at my current venue.

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

12am is incredibly early to be banning certain drinks. By this point the headlining DJ still isn't starting for an hour! Being restricted into what you can drink is absolute babying. The legislation also seems to have ridiculous terms on where and when certain drinks can be served, and once again, these favour casinos.

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?

As seen in other areas where lockouts have been put in place, businesses will close. Jobs will be lost, musicians will be finding it harder to break through the scene and the amazing hub of excitement and life that is the Valley will slowly die.

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 there is a utter disregard for the culture of myself and my peers, and instead just trying to force people into casinos so the government can take tax money from Pokies and other gambling.

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 community benefit of hearing great music and dancing with your friends is so much stronger than playing pokies together. Music has a great power to make you feel happy and bring people closer together in a way most things can't.

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?

Rather than punishing the entire public for the actions of a few, targetting those that cause issues. Have all venues with an ID scanner that restricts access to those with a history of alcohol fueled violence.

Q: Any other comments?

I could go out on any weekend, drink a lot, and would never get violent, because I am not a violent person. The issue is not the alcohol but it is rather the person consuming it. Take action to help those people, rather than punish us for what they do.

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Jared Iwinski

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

I work full time in construction and usually go out into the valley or city every fortnightly weekend for a big night.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I drive for Uber.

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

Yes

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

Good long nights spent with great mates.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think alot of people in hospitality will lose jobs, at least their hours worked. Meaning less pay. Small businesses like pubs and clubs will suffer. Taxi drivers, and Uber drivers will not make as much money. And more people will probably end up wreaking havoc on their own private property after the early lockout with no chance of more alcohol. More young people will probably consume more narcotics in place of alcohol.

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 won't be able to drive for as long on the busiest nights for Uber. Won't make as much money.

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

As I usually don't hit the clubs until about 11pm it will mean heavier pre-drinks for me and probably a couple of pills to keep the night going after 12.

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?

Not in my area, I am 20 mins away from the cbd. But i think some of my favourite smaller boutique bars will feel the burn from less alcohol sales.

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 poker machines are the devil. And only the bigger corporate businesses like casinos and RSL's will make all the money while everyone else suffers.

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 live music is very strong in Brisbanes nightlife culture. I don't know anyone who would pick pokies over a live gig at riverstage or the Tivoli.

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 keep things how they are. Alcohol fueled violence will occur no matter what is put in place. Bottom line is that people like to go out and have a good time. And if that becomes limited then who knows what kind of violence and drug related deaths may occur towards people who haven't been fully satisfied by midnight.

Q: Any other comments?

Keep things how they are. I look forward to the day that younger people have more to say from a political standpoint. At the moment Australia is looking like a nanny state run by dinosaurs.

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 11:37:30 AM

Submission by:
Name: Samantha Rowland

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

Im from Brisbane and I DJ at Hot Gossip nightclub every weekend

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

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

Im a night person, i love hoing out to dance until all hours of the morning and I love my job way too much!!!

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

Yes

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

I have a huge love/passion for music and Im so lucky to have a job where I can express myself through music and make people happy. Im my happiest when im behing the decks or on the dancefloor.

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

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I think its unfair. Ive traveled the world where you can drink wherever you want, where clubs are open until 8am. I just feel Brisbane is already limited in the nightclub scene. If these proposals continue through I think it will really hurt the scene.

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, I sometimes do closing which is between 3am-5am so I will be losing hours. 3am people still want to party even at 5 people are still keen. Why would we cut the time when people are still having fun and enjoying themselves.

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

12am is still pretty early people dont come out until 1am. We should be able to drink whatever we want as this is a free country. Everything seems to be limited these days. Too many rules to follow.

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?

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?

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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From: [Brittany doyle](#)
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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 12:05:12 PM

Submission by:
Name: Brittany doyle

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

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

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

No

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

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

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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
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 12:23:18 PM

Submission by:
Name: Stuart Meteyard

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

I'm Brisbane, looking for work as a bartender and nightclub frequenter

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I go out clubbing very often and am looking to work in the industry

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I've met many interesting people and had an absolutely great time

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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These are horrible ideas that will do more harm than good

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 horribly affect my future job prospects, not to mention impeded on my personal freedoms and social life

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Incredibly negative, I'm often out much later than 12 and bans on drinks would make my nights worse

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 these things are likely

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 incredibly unfair

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?

much more, music brings people together in harmony and enjoyment, gambling via machines is incredibly antisocial and can lead to addiction

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 1:25:25 PM

Submission by:
Name: Zion Vaega

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Broadbeach

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Patron

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Better if you can club hop at will

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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lame

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?

just lame

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

make it lamer

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?

sure

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 2:05:24 PM

Submission by:
Name: Tenaë Klemra

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from North Brisbane. And spend hundreds of dollars every weekend to go to the valley. A taxi costs a fortune and by the time we finish work, get ready, everyone gets to our house, we have a couple of drink and all split a cab it's about 11:30 before we even get to the valley. I always go to the same bars/clubs. I've never had an issue when I have gone out. And am friendly with most staff and security at the places I go as I always go to the same places.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a social butterfly. It's my way of meeting new people and making friends. I'm either dancing the night away or off chatting to different people all the time. I find lockout at 3am can sometimes get in the way as sometimes we do like to hop between places and by the time you line up and actually get in half the night is gone. Especially when we only get there at 11:30pm

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Everyone is so nice. I come from a country town and moving here I was so worried about making friends. I work a lot of hours and this is the only chances I really have to meet people and see the ones I already know. I've never had a bad night.

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I think they are becoming to strict. I think more people will start having house parties and you will have more issues in the communities.

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 social life negatively. I have friends from all over the place who all meet at the same bars and clubs to socialize with each other and just have a good time.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I wouldn't bother going out if that were the case. I think you would find a lot of people would turn to drugs and then you would have an issue.

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 entire buzz of the community would not be the same. I think you would be stuck with the no good doers who want to run a muck. People like myself and my friends would end up just having drinks at home to socialize, and I assume a lot of others would also.

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 do not agree with this at all. I always support local talent. I'm always cheering on the buskers in the street and singing along with the live bands in the pubs. It's apart of life and if you get rid of that you are just going to have drunks wasting their money away on machines when they could be supporting our local community.

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 waste money they don't see again on machines and end up very negative. Having fun and dancing along to music at least you are left with a fun and positive vibe

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?

Stricter police and Security i these areas. More security inside clubs. Removing the people that start issues and let the others have a good time

Q: Any other comments?

i do not see this helping in a good way at all. If anything you could trial it for a couple of months. But there wouldn't be a nightlife and I think there would be more issues and complaints in neighbourhoods

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Submission by:
Name: Abbie Porter

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Mackay, Whitsundays.
I go out to The Cartel, Movidas, Mojoes and other places as well, they have such great atmosphere and are all gorgeous places to go and relax after a long day, listen to some decent music and have a few drinks, or if you're into partying and having fun, they're amazing places for that also, would hate to see lockout laws change.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I go out partying and having a good time.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

All my experiences are positive! Not a bad one at all.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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I honestly think it's ridiculous. People are trying to have a good time of a weekend, trying to relax and have fun with mates/work friends/family etc, how is that possible if it's lockout and no drinks after a certain time? I think it's crap.

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 be a total loss in freedom! Not as many people would go out which also means the clubs/bars would

definitely be losing a lot of money.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

What if those types of drinks are all some people drink? How would they have a good night with their drinks being banned after a certain time?!

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 affect Mackay a lot! A lot of young, even older people go out of a weekend to unwind from a busy week working, etc. I think a few places would close yes, as they would be losing money instead of making it, there would be job losses yes.. as not many staff would be needed.

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 its pathetic! It\'s okay for people to gamble but if people wanna drink and have fun they\'re not allowed too? Gambling is already a stupid thing, that\'s just stupid

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 never go to places that have poker machines as I think they\'re a waste of money!

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 there should be more police and security around to help control it. No matter what or where you go, no matter what people have had to drink etc, it won\'t stop the trouble makers and idiots from trying to ruin peoples nights out.

Q: Any other comments?

No.

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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 2:33:15 PM

Submission by:
Name: Harrison Bell

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I've been born and raised in Brisbane, and am a DJ at a bunch of places, but primarily GPO and The Met. I'm also a McDelivery driver, and just graduated from the Griffith Conservatorium with a Bachelor of Music Technology. I'm part of a DJ duo, and we have big dreams to make music and play around the world, and the Brisbane nightlife is an ultimately key part of that.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I play at different venues, including Hot Gossip, The Met and GPO. We've been up and coming for a little while, and are definitely rising through the ranks. We often play close shifts at GPO (starting at 3AM) and have recently moved to headline spots. We are about to release more music, and travel further up the ranks and begin closing The Met regularly - the biggest nightclub in Brisbane. To be honest, a massive dream of mine.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I always had great times going out with mates after I turned 18, and created massive bonds with them. I have always been into music in various forms, but really appreciated a great time out with a good DJ. Now at 20 years old, after having been a DJ for almost a year and establishing myself, an income, and the start of a great career, I LOVE nightlife. I have a massive passion for making sure everyone has a good time, dancing, drinking, talking, laughing and creating memories and forming bonds. I'm a massive believer in the opportunity to let your hair down and spend the night having fun in Fortitude Valley after a week of working hard, I do it almost every weekend. It's definitely a huge part of my life, even when I'm not DJ'ing!

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Clubs do not stay open if they are not making money, it's fact. When people stop buying drinks, they will soon

close as to not lose money on the night. Clubs will shut at 2AM or soon thereafter. Most headline acts start at 2AM, and many of my closes start at 3AM. A club shutting at 2AM is literally cutting the night in half, for patrons and staff. These close shifts are incredibly key to climbing the ladder and working towards my dream of being an international DJ - if they go, my dreams will have been stomped on viciously, and become unrealistic. Again, in precincts having a 3AM last drinks is not much better. The amount of work that will be lost is massive.

The exemptions for casinos seems incredibly random. Why? What's the reasoning? Do you want drunks to stumble into already packed casinos? They're not able to handle many more people, and if clubs shut early, they will go there for more alcohol, and probably make bad gambling decisions. Is that really desirable?

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 ruin everything I've worked for in my career to be honest. Jobs would be lost, and it's certainly a freedom being taken away. The bonds I've formed, the people I only see out because we live on opposite sides of the city, the kind of connections made in a nightclub with mutual appreciation of the fun and the music would be squandered. I honestly LOVE nightlife, was inspired by it and am making a career out of it. These lockout laws would inhibit my personal progress, and make it very difficult for others to get that same inspiration, which is honestly a crime. It makes me feel sick in the stomach.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I've never seen someone buy a beer after 12AM. It's just not the kind of drink for that time of night. Banning spirits late at night, disabling the ability for a friend to buy a round of shots for everyone and make the night really take off is ridiculous. It's literally the kickstarter to a great night, where the music is loved, the drinks flow, the club makes money and the patrons have a good time. It's actually pretty imperative.

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 the smaller clubs closing, and the major clubs having to raise their prices for entry and drinks, because of the extra traffic coming their way & the far smaller time period for them to make their money. Clubs can struggle to make enough money to maintain themselves as it is - this is a nail in the coffin for SO many businesses, and their employees. I've mentioned it before, but my DJ career would go down the drain, which would honestly make me gutted. Clubs have huge rosters of DJs to keep everything fresh and fun, but cutting half the time they can play means cutting half of the roster. This would keep the bigger DJs where they are at their venue, and make getting a job as a DJ very difficult. DJs are often tentative with accepting other gigs and growing their career when they have a residency, because they don't want to lose their spot. The lockout laws would make them absolutely petrified, and they'd be sure to never leave their spots, thus never leaving an opportunity for the younger DJs to fill in. This would make nightlife much more stagnant, because fresh and exciting DJs are imperative to a club's quality and attractiveness. Just another way in which they will hurt Queenslanders. It's incredibly unAustralian to inhibit anyone's path to success, and I'm honestly embarrassed about the governments lack of care in regards to this.

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 understand it. I don't understand the move at all. It makes me seriously question the governments motives, and makes me very embarrassed to live in a state that supports gambling over youth culture. How many young, vibrant Australians are in clubs spending their hard earned money wisely on a very good night of fun with their friends? How many are doing that in a casino? It's absolutely ridiculous to want to take care of mature gambler's nightlives over the leaders of tomorrow, and makes me question if the government has serious links to the income of casinos. It really does make me feel anxious and sick about living here.

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've touched on this before, but I don't think pokies really compare to clubs. They're generally aimed towards an older, retired generation to have a little fun. This is great for them, but no young Australian finds that fun at all. I guarantee it. The only time I've played the pokies was with two dollars as a joke. I respect that it's fun for an older generation, and that's great! But it's not for our youth, and taking away our favourite past time ironically seems very childish and immature.

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 problem is not drugs or alcohol. I know plenty of people that partake in both, sometimes in large amounts that never cause a single problem. The problem is largely aggressive males, who don't know how to deal with situations that arise. I say this as a male myself. The problem is the culture of getting angry and resorting to violence over issues like being bumped into, partner problems, disagreements with friends. I rarely see fights, and if I do, it's certainly for a reason. It is never someone just feeling like hitting someone because they've had alcohol - that's kind of preposterous. Also, forcing people the amount of people in a club out at 3am is insane - you do NOT want that many people in Fortitude Valley at one time, that is a nightmare, and people will definitely get hurt. They need to trickle out from around 2 till 5 for it to be safe. I've honestly never felt unsafe in the Valley at all, but I'm positive that a thousand people being pushed out onto the street at 3 would make me feel that way.

My solution for violence at nightclubs would be harsher penalties, and working with nightclubs to actually apprehend anyone involved in a fight. People normally just get thrown out after a scuffle and they make their way home. This leaves the aggressive male even more disgruntled, with nothing but his night shortened as punishment. Does that not seem wrong?? He should at least be jailed for the night, fined, SOMETHING. Violence is disgusting, and needs to be treated as an incredibly serious crime. But ruining our nightlife culture, livelihoods, businesses, jobs, social lives for the vast majority that are not violent, is the WRONG thing to do.

Q: Any other comments?

I love nightlife, and the friends and career I've made have honestly pulled me out of depression and anxiety. I feel like I have goals, a place to be, friends to see, memories to make, music to enjoy. Please, do not take that away from me. I've never felt more at home in my life than DJ'ing in the club with my friends, old or new, making a whole dancefloor of people have a great night, drinking and socializing with their friends. Please do not take this away from me. It will leave me lost and I'm personally not quite ready to deal with my anxiety without this purpose and love of nightlife. Please reconsider these laws. Thank you.

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From: [Gemma Herd](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 3:25:17 PM

Submission by:
Name: Gemma Herd

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from the northside of Brisbane and work in factory. Nights out are usually at the local tavern but sometimes in the Valley or City.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I spend money on alcohol and entry fees

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I've never had a negative one, some of the best times of my life have been in a club at 4am

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 think it's just a way to push more money through the casino's. Why is someone less of a menace based on their drinking location? Just seems ludicrous.

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 greatly impact on my social life, not to mention the livelihoods of people I care about. It strips people of the basic right to socialise. I don't start going out til 12, so I'd get a couple of hours of dancing in one club before I had to leave.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Well I only drink spirits so it would impact my experience greatly.

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. I also see a rise in domestic violence and street violence. A club or pub has the authority to refuse service to someone to far gone. If you restrict drinking times people will start drinking at home where there us very little policing.

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?

Disgusted... Like I said it\'s just pushing money into the gambling industry.

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?

Obviously socialising creates connections that may otherwise be missed. I\'m sure many a great idea has happened over a glass of rum at a gig. Can\'t remember the last time I saw anyone playing a pokie machine say anything except \"hey that\'s mine\"

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 resources. Stop focusing on these drug task forces etc etc and have a bigger police presence in major party areas.

Q: Any other comments?

Just don\'t.

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From: [Sean Stewart](#)
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: Sean Stewart

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Brisbane, play at GPO and go out in the Valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I play a role as a resident dj at a club in the valley.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Meeting lots of people, positive experiences and great times.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think they are going backwards in in the future of the Australian nightlife. They\'re giving responsible people that deserve to have freedom curfews which they don\'t need.

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?

In the long term i think it would put the nightclub out of business and take my job away.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It would send us all home earlier, decrease the amount of time people have to experience a good time and ruin

business.

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?

Completely would diminish the nightlife and close down the club and other clubs.

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 the approach is very naive and they should stop being selfish.

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?

They do not compare at all, nightclubs are a social playground for people to mingle and have fun, other venues are set up for gambling and eating, the experience is completely different.

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?

They should increase the campaigns around 1 punch can kill and come up with other promotion to target awareness around it, as well as increase the punishments. It's like what the government did with drink driving, they didn't take cars off the roads and stop selling people alcohol. They increased the penalties and did strong marketing to the public to change the way people look and feel about drink driving, they just need a bit more forward fresh thinking.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Mitchel Box

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane city, party in the valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The affects has already been seen in Sydney with multiple night life venues closing down.

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 go out to release stress and hang with fiends why change something that doesn't need to change.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Cutting off drinks will just encourage people to drink more earlier.

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 3:47:30 PM

Submission by:
Name: Hannah Brown

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Born in NSW but live in Brisbane. Work at Albion.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Someone who enjoys the company of others and to enjoy the music with some drinks.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Going out for occasions and making new friends. It's a great way to socialise with other people.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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They're quite restricted for those who are just out for some fun while being responsible.

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 definite loss of freedom and social life.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It would effect my experience because of the spirits I drink.

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 ! Each place in the Fortitude Valley relies on music to bring people in with the same taste.

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?

Ridiculous.

Most of us just want to have a good time out. Promote the local bands and DJ's, have a few drinks. Making a lockout will make people head to the streets.

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 fun. You're interacting with others. Connecting.

Sitting at a poker machine you're limiting yourself to possible opportunities or friendships.

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 someone has anti-social behaviour they should be removed from the area accordingly. And police should be keeping a record of the person and the place. If that person is repeatedly doing so, they should not be allowed into those specific areas/places and surround areas should keep a record in the system for all staff to access if suspicious. That way, everyone can stay safe and still have a good time out.

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Bryce Brickley

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Gold Coast, Work as a waiter and love Elsewhere bar, Surfers Paradise

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Patron

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

many many good, safe and memorable experiences. Founded lifelong friendships and relationships at late night venues over drinks.

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)

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 negatively impact social life, moreover destroy it. reason being as I work in the hospitality industry and with a regular finishing time around 11:30pm. the new lockout laws would greatly reduce my ability to maintain a social life and maintain safe mental health.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

it would also make social occasions more dangerous as people will flood the casino which are exempt from these laws, or in a home unregulated environment where illicit drugs will dominate.

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 my favourite bar, elsewhere, closing. and many many musicians who are given a chance in the bar be forced to quit.

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 depressing and should not be supported through state wide legislation

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
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Submission by:
Name: Sophia vazanellis

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From brisbane, work at gpo

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Door girl

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have a full time job but love working at the door Friday and Saturday nights I do it for fun not the money. The environment the people everything about it is exciting and fun!

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The decision for people to drink to much is on them and no matter what rules are put in place it will still occur this is just a money making scheme for the government and it will ruine our nightlife. Wake up to the bigger picture and the more important things why are we wasting our time and energy on lockouts! It's not even a problem.

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 will affect every aspect of my life, work and social. I look forward to the weekend a after a hard week.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Make me drink something else and I won't enjoy it. It's stupid.

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 destroy our nightlife.

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?

Makes me think the government is trying to favourites them and get more money for themselves or someone has a hand in letting casinos stay open. Not fair at all and very suspect

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Jason smith

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Toowoomba QLD I am Hotel Manager and own my own production company.. its my work and my play time..

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am the sole income earner for my wife and two children... my business also employs 2 full time DJ's who's sole income is from my business

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

In our local safe night precinct which is under serious threat.. we have been working closely with police for over 10 years now and have less issues than ever before there is no need for this it will create more havoc with a large negative affect on our local economy.

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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Bullshit... consult the businesses it will affect!

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 potentially and most likely lose my lively hood.. bankruptcy would be on the cards and my family on the street.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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 closures for sure!

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?

Feel ripped off..

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Claire Boothby](#)
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Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 6:29:43 PM

Submission by:
Name: Claire Boothby

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Benowa, regular patron at Gold Coast nightspots, particularly Elsewhere Bar.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Regular patron at music events and entertainment on the Gold Coast, supporter of the local music scene.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Being able to see local and international music events held in the local area. Meeting people who share the same love of music and entertainment. Being able to have a break from the working week and socialising with people I otherwise wouldn't have met. Staying out until sunlight without ever seeing any violence/hostility, just people enjoying themselves.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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- * No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
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Will be extremely destructive to the entertainment and nightlife industry. Will see less opportunities for local musicians, will see many friends and people lose their jobs who work in the industry. Will cause an influx of people flooding the streets potentially increasing the risk of accidents and violence at 3am lockout, rather than people being spread out across the night leaving when they please. Will potentially increase illicit drug use if people aren't allowed to purchase drinks. Will ultimately cause the closure of many venues in the area.

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 result in my only free time getting cut short, and many of my friends losing their jobs. Would result in less money being spent in my local area.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Less freedom and more likely to drink excessively before.

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 destroy the local entertainment scene, which it is ultimately renowned for. Well respected local venues would be forced to close resulting in less opportunity for local and international acts to perform. Thousands of innocent patrons would be punished and unemployment would rise as people will undoubtedly lose jobs should this legislation pass.

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 as though it is punishing thousands of innocent patrons for actions of few. It is insulting to local performers who will be have their rights taken away.

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 has no social value, while live music and entertainment brings together people who share the same interests in a friendly and positive environment.

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?

Banning people who have offended in the past. (Scanning ID and if they have offended in the past it will show and they can be refused).
Increasing police presence.

Q: Any other comments?

I believe that this legislation is selfish and discriminates an entire industry.

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From: [Jacob Fitz-Walter](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 6:43:28 PM

Submission by:
Name: Jacob Fitz-Walter

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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I have never been a part of or seen a attack which the government claims happens all the time. Yea lockout laws have worked in Sydney but I'm no way is Brisbane and Sydney the same. The reason the results look so good in Sydney is because half the night clubs have closed as a result of the new laws which is detrimental to the economy. Lockout laws will also encourage drug taking as people won't be able to get drinks after a certain time so that will be the only thing people can get.

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 no longer enjoy going out anymore as I normal can't get out till 11pm so what's the point in going out, Like most of Brisbane people don't start going out to 11pm.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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't see a number of clubs staying open through the law changes, and this has been proven in Sydney.

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?

Ridiculous

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?

Absolutely annoying

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 more security

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Danielle Abbott](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 6:43:39 PM

Submission by:
Name: Danielle Abbott

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from Brisbane and I work at eye candy as a bar tender, and use to be a dancer

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Bar tender , a waitress and a dancer weekends but mostly waitressing at a strip club'

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Bar tending ,waitressing door girl promo bartender and a patron

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

It will kill the nightlife!!

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 make as much money, I loose hours and traders who come in,

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

People would leave they wouldn't stay in the clubs and continue to drink, we would loose customers

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?

Yeah an I would have to move for a better job

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?

Utterly stupid

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 use the machines

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?

Your going to have issues everywhere

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Karla arkell

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Work!

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Bartender

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Earning money for my children

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Bullshit

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, hours cut back, less pay

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Less working hours, less money

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, loss of hours

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?

Bullshit

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 great

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?

Well by implementing these times your making our culture more anti-social.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Natasha Stacey](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:01:57 PM

Submission by:
Name: Natasha Stacey

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Work at Candy Club Brisbane. Play at Prohibition, Prestige and Laruche in Fortitude Valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Bar tender in Nightclub/ Gentlemans Club.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Always have positive experiences. Never been involved in or seen much of negative behaviour.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Will severely affect my job and sole income. With minimal experience in other industries, it will be difficult for me to remain financially stable.

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 most likely result in less work or job loss. Work full time and so social life may not be so affected.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Would potentially destroy the business and my sole income.

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 would close. Vibrancy would diminish.

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 this is unfair to other venues.

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?

Probably would avoid going out to socialise.

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?

Would remove all lockout laws to keep people off the streets and enforce more strict liquor licensing laws.

Q: Any other comments?

This change would severely affect many livelihoods and cause more problems on the streets at an earlier time. This change will do more harm than good.

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From: [Elena Simonova](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:05:09 PM

Submission by:
Name: Elena Simonova

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Fortitude Valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I will be struggling to make a living

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Comfortable hours for work and fun

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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It's not fair that only Casinos make profit. There are a lot of people outside who will lose their jobs and profit.

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 lose my job.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

No patrons.

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 it.

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.

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?

Better dance and have fun. Not spending money for poker machines!

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?

Live it how it is at the moment.

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:06:42 PM

Submission by:
Name: Jessica Rabbit

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Entertainer

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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?

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:14:29 PM

Submission by:
Name: Danielle Willis

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

From Melbourne, live in Brisbane. Work and go out in Fortitude Valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

As a uni student I highly value the flexible hours I am able to work at night.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Security staff are always well equipped to deal with any issue regarding patrons. This is however a rare occurrence. If patrons do act up, it's always much earlier in the night. The patrons who stay late are generally well behaved and appreciate having a place to stay out late.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It thinks it's incredibly unnecessary and excessive. I agree with no straight spirits being served after a certain time, however cocktails at cocktail bars can be expensive and are generally bought by responsible drinkers. It seems as though the government is playing favourites with the casinos given they provide such immense state revenue from gambling.

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 every aspect of my life. The proposed changes would drastically affect my hours at work. My job is my livelihood, I love working in the bar industry and without it I wouldn't be able to complete my uni

degree. And without work I simply wouldn't be able to afford to go out and enjoy my social time with friends.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Only marginally less detriment to business. But my social life would change completely, I drink cocktails and not being able to have one after midnight at an actual cocktail bar is ridiculous. Imagine the effect it will have on these small businesses (which most cocktail bars are).

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 truly believe these changes would essentially kill the Queensland nightlife. I doubt anyone would even want to travel here for holidays.

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 unfair. The government is blatantly favoritising the gambling industry.

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's a community benefit to playing poker machines?? Sorry what? That's ludicrous, there's no social benefit of solitary gambling.

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!!! Harsher criminal penalties. And by allowing security more freedoms, greater police presence, faster response times. Employ more emergency staff and support the state instead of disabling it.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Eryn Russell](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:18:43 PM

Submission by:
Name: Eryn Russell

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Raised on the GC and work in night venues on GC and in Brisbane.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work in nightclubs on the Gold Coast and in Brisbane, and with these new laws ill have to find another job.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I make good money in tips and enjoy my job. With less hours for fun the industry will be killed.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Murder on the dancefloor. Will kill the industry.

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?

Job loss. Money loss. Social life loss.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Job loss. Money loss. Social life loss.

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 loss. Money loss. Social life loss.

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?

Honestly bullshit. Casino will become infected with drunks.

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 ruin lives.

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 public transport and remove lockout entirely.

Q: Any other comments?

Dont let this happen. It didnt work in Sydney and it wont work here.

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From: [Jared Broadbent](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: Jared Broadbent

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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?

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Georgina Pola](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:21:24 PM

Submission by:
Name: Georgina Pola

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [James Christensen](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Submission by:
Name: James Christensen

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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?

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Emma mitchell](#)
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Cc:
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Submission by:
Name: Emma mitchell

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Work @ candy club in fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Adult entertainment industry

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Adult entertainment

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Very busy after 1am

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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This will impact my place of work enormously as most of our customers arrive between 1 and 2

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 may lose my job

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

People will go home if they cant drink what they would like after 12am or they may get angry and aggressive because of this.

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 drastically change the nightlife in fortitude valley. Small venues will most likely close.

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 not fair, because we do not have poker machines so this automatically makes us except from staying open later.

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 not helping our youth, live bands are and a safe environment to consume alcohol are both keeping me in a job and keeping fights off the street.

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?

Have more police in the area.

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
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:37:14 PM

Submission by:
Name: Shelbi Tidswell

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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?

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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?

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?

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?

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?

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Daina Teasdale](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:41:12 PM

Submission by:
Name: Daina Teasdale

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live work and socialize in fortitude valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Providing adult entertainment predominantly during the hours of 1am and 5am

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's safe and friendly environment to have a great time with friends

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It will kill the small business and subsequently the whole industry!

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?

Majority of our trade is between 1am and 5am

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It Will encourage preloading

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?

Residential development is set to swallow the valley precinct

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 going to funnel all business to the casino

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 are anti social

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?

Smaller venues are easier to manage

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Daisy Hughes](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:45:51 PM

Submission by:
Name: Daisy Hughes

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from South-East Brisbane and I currently work in the Valley, predominately on weekends.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work in the hospitality industry and play a role in the running of local entertainment venues.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Provides myself, and my colleagues with a stable income, and reliable shifts that can work around my university timetable.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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My major concern is not with the proposed changes in alcohol licensing; but with the proposed changes in lockout and closing times. These changes guarantee a cut to the number of hours I work during a week, therefore cutting my weekly earning potential. These changes could potentially put me out of a job if staff cutbacks are made. All my experience is pertain to the hospitality industry, therefore making it more difficult to obtain a job in another industry.

I believe the casino industry should abide by the same stringent changes. By making the casinos exempt from the proposed changes in legislation and alcohol licensing, venues in the Valley may lose patronage.

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?

These changes guarantee a cut to the number of hours I work during a week, therefore cutting my weekly earning potential. These changes could potentially put me out of a job if staff cutbacks are made.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Making high content alcohol unavailable after midnight, could potentially drive up the already high prices on alcohol. As most of our profit is made by the selling of alcohol, making a large range of drinks available after a certain time, the money we make off the profit of selling alcohol will most likely decrease if these proposed changes are put through.

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 smaller and or local businesses closing if the proposed changes are passed through government, therefore the vibrancy of Fortitude Valley would diminish greatly.

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 not fair on small businesses, or businesses unable to afford the luxury of poker machines, that rely heavily on the profit made by drink sales.

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 see any community benefit of poker machines, they encourage anti-social behaviour and can lead to addiction, especially if the only venue open and serving alcohol is one with poker machines.

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?

Introduce stricter alcohol laws, but do not introduce earlier lock out and closing times. Earlier closing/ lockout times mean more people who are intoxicated are on the street without supervision. As an individual who works within the nightclub industry more more than 12 months, I have seen more violent behaviour outside clubs, rather than inside the venue.

Q: Any other comments?

If any changes have to be made to tackle to issue of alcohol-related violences, please postpone the ruling, or consult with professions who have experience with in the nightlife industry.

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From: [Sophie Hesse](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
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Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:46:33 PM

Submission by:
Name: Sophie Hesse

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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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From: [Dillon Kovacs](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:54:54 PM

Submission by:
Name: Dillon Kovacs

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

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Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Rebekah Ayers](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 7:58:37 PM

Submission by:
Name: Rebekah Ayers

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Dancing

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

No

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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
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 8:11:47 PM

Submission by:
Name: Luke Davidson

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

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Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

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Q: Any other comments?

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From: [jordan.young](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 8:20:05 PM

Submission by:
Name: jordan young

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Enjoying a night with friends

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

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From: [Zane Catlin](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 8:25:39 PM

Submission by:
Name: Zane Catlin

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Ipswich
Projex Bobcats and Soils

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Just the fact you get to go out with all your mates and girlfriend and have a mad time

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I honestly think this is pathetic, nightlife won't be the same

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 and loss of freedoms definitely

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Jack Barker](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 8:28:48 PM

Submission by:
Name: Jack Barker

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Redlands and I catch a train to work in inner city brisbane. I like to go out to the valley with friends .

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I go to the many pubs and night clubs in the valley .

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

getting to see my friends all at once and Id be concerned that I would not be able to see them as much if this bill passes

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Bradley Anderson](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 8:48:25 PM

Submission by:
Name: Bradley Anderson

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Brisbane local. Electrician.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

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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From: [Kat Mons](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 8:58:09 PM

Submission by:
Name: Kat Mons

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Live and play in Brisbane

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I am a patron and enjoy going out

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I enjoy my nights out and regardless of alcohol consumption I feel safe and comfortable

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Totally against it. Respect for alcohol and other people is taught by family and when being brought up. It's not impacted by alcohol at 3am

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. Not being able to move between clubs and having the options removed is insulting

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Some nights I don't go out until later. Being restricted based on time frame and not intoxication is ignorant

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 job loses, binge drinking and a negative impact on the economy

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 means the government will support negative and unhealthy behaviour they benefit from. It's disgusting

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?

None.

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. Sexual, alcohol and drug education in primary and high schools need to be pushed.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Joshua Christian](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:01:19 PM

Submission by:
Name: Joshua Christian

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Augustine Heights and go out in Brisbane\'s inner west, the city and the Valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I\'m a consumer and patron and often go out with mates for a good night out.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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This is a pretty simplistic and silly idea and won't solve the issue of alcohol fuelled violence.

My mates and I would be more likely to no go out and consume alcohol at our homes and in the suburbs where the consumption and any violence can't be monitored.

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 and negatively impact my social life.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Essentially call the night early and go home to drink, or not go out in the first place.

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 would imagine many local businesses would close and massive job losses as a result.

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 no fair on the smaller traders who support their patrons and their local communities.

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?

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 advertising and a stronger police presence out in the nightlife. Lockouts and drinking restrictions are not the answer and infringe on our freedoms. Why does the Labor Government want to punish the masses for the sins of a few.

Q: Any other comments?

This is a stupid policy idea and deserves to be thrown out like the incumbent Labor Government.

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From: [Eloise Smith](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:01:45 PM

Submission by:
Name: Eloise Smith

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Gold Coast. Work in Brisbane in the industry! Gold Coast and Brisbane are playgrounds for a night out!

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I'm a bartender!! without me you'd be pretty thirsty!

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I love it!
It pays my bills, gives me a fun environment to work and play in.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I've probably only seen 10 fights in my whole 3 years of going out and being a part of the scene, through work as well.

And all of the fights have been on the street... Around the 3am lockout. If fights are bad enough at 3am when half the crowds have already gone, what are they going to be like at 1am?!!! You have more people in the street earlier on in the night from a lockout and you've got a recipe for disaster.

Let's also fuel the gambling problems!!!! IDIOTS! Exemption for casinos?!!!!

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 life negatively. I would loose approx 8 hours work a week - that\'s a whole shift worth!
That\'s my food for the week paid!
I wouldn\'t be able to socialise with my friends when I finish at 2am either. At the moment I can leave work at 2am and go to the bar my friends are in and still be social.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Definitely!
I serve many people straight spirit. If they are paying 45 bucks a nip of scotch they should be able to drink it in any way they want to!!!!

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
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes and yes

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 unfair.

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?

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 enforce tougher laws in regards to street behaviour.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Eamon Conway](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:16:19 PM

Submission by:
Name: Eamon Conway

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I have lived in brisbane my entire life, and the live music and club venue is where I spend the vast majority of my time earning money and having fun.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I play in bands, which brings people in to the club to spend money on food and drinks, which in turn allows my music to be heard to a large audience.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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I think it will literally fix nothing. The problem isn't alcohol. It's the negative culture that only a minority of Australians live by. The people who are being targeted by these lockout laws will continue to drink and be negative members of society whether or not you allow them to drink past 1am. All the laws will do is ruin the evenings and pay checks of the majority of people.

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 new laws would mean a greatly reduced income for me and my significant other.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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?

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?

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?

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?

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
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:19:44 PM

Submission by:
Name: Fatima Pilia\`e-Smith

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Holland Park, Brisbane. I work in Brisbanes Fortitude Valley at a night club.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I\`m a bar tender in a night club.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I meet so many people at work including my 2 best friends/housemates! I have also had the opportunity to work interstate and abroad through contacts I have made at work.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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I thinks it\`s very short sighted and a treats adults like children. I also think it will lead to more people wanting to have big parties elsewhere with no security or police. Small business owners and their staff will suffer loss of business. I don\`t like going to the casino... So I guess my night out with the girls where we sit, chat and have delicious cocktails will end at midnight...

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 in a bar... I\`m particularly good at what I do, but knowing what I\`m good at doesn\`t pay my bills the way having a job does.

It will also affect my 1night out a year with my girlfriends since we spend our night having dinner then going out for cocktails.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

I work in a cocktail bar that doesn't really get busy until about 10pm... We will lose 5hrs out of 7hrs of business.

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 Brisbane as being boring... Really boring.

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 not really fair. But let's turn our state into the gambling state. *sarcasm

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?

*smh

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. Just having known police presence will make people think twice. Even if they just continue to walk up and down \"trouble\" areas. More liquor licensing in entertainment areas. Going into venues and actually watching the crowd. If somebody is unduly intoxicated, why? Liquor Lic. needs to be monitoring venues more closely.

Q: Any other comments?

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From: [Ben Mumford](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:36:02 PM

Submission by:
Name: Ben Mumford

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I'm from Brisbane and I play in the valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Buying plenty of booze, ciggies and entry fees. Aswell as going to many venues where bands play

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Going to birthday celebrations, celebrating have a life, celebrating my mates new born baby.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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So silly, say goodbye to a lot of jobs. But it's not like the big casino suits give a dam about that.

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 girlfriend works in the valley as a stripper. She hasn't been earning much as it is but this would make life much harder for us.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO CELEBRATE MY BIRTHDAY AT 12 o'clock WITH NO SHOTS???

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 yes yes. All of the above. Everything will fall like dominoes.

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, cheers you money grubbing, evil gambling, bank lords.

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 produce more gambling addicts. With the casino being open 24 hrs that's where everyone will go when the bars shut down

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 the valley a classier feel but still keep the same great bars. More police on the beat.

Q: Any other comments?

If this all goes ahead there will be drunken people roaming the streets looking for trouble anyway. You can't stop dickheads. They are everywhere.

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From: [Sally Casten](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:51:16 PM

Submission by:
Name: Sally Casten

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Work n play in fortitude valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Bar staff/waitress/dancer

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I've always had a positive experience. A few drinks spread out across the night with friends

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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It's absolute bull shit. It's going to kill the businesses n create more problems with unrestricted alcohol consumption at homes.

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 destroy my work place along with many others and also ruin my few nights out with my friends

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

As above

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?

Jobs and businesses will be lost

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 total bull shit

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 need to interact with other people not machines

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 make sure all security go through certain training n have more police on duty to enforce the too much is too much policy

Q: Any other comments?

Look at stats, alcohol related violence has dropped around the pub n club scene. If the government enforce this lockout there will b more uncontrolled drinking as well as more underage drinking in private premises. Then the violence rate will be spread out more which means emergency services will have to work alot harder to try control it.

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From: [Scott Brique](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 9:59:04 PM

Submission by:
Name: Scott Brique

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Live in west end and frequently play at numerous bars across Brisbane including precinct areas.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Playing music in bands to punters at numerous venues around Brisbane including precinct areas. These bands sometimes play late slots, sometimes keeping pubs and bars open for eager crowds and venue owners, booking agents and DJs.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have way too many positive experiences to recount having played in Brisbane bands for more than 20 years.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think this is a terrible decision and will not lead to safer areas: NSW has seen the violence spill from \"Kings Cross\" over to Newtown. I expect the same thing to happen here if this goes ahead. I believe positive advertising about the affects of alcohol and violence would have a much better effect than these proposed lock out laws.

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 would be affected. Not to mention the thousands of workers employed throughout the hospitality industry.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

As above: late night shows at venues would be curtailed, leading to a personal loss of revenue for myself and fellow bandmates. This would also affect some of my friends and colleagues who have taken on much risk and 10 year leases on bars/pubs across Brisbane, effectively slashing their business operations and livelihoods.

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 all of the above happening, I definitely think that west end as a suburb will suffer; as west end is not officially an "entertainment precinct" as such, we will see many more intoxicated patrons fleeing the city/valley lockout zones and bringing their violence/"bogan" behaviour to a major entertainment hub that encourages Bohemianism.

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 sham and should not be encouraged. How can the arts be relegated to the back seats of this arena when gambling is allowed to thrive. This would be an indescribable loss to culture and to Queensland arts.

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?

See above answer. There are no advertisements or helplines about the nefarious and deleterious effects of watching and experiencing live music.

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 be focussing on promoting other methods of deterring alcohol abuse. Drink prices are too high which leads to "pre-loading", yet cheap drinks are banned due to binge drinking. You can't have it both ways. I believe proper and consistent education about alcohol abuse and a decrease in drink prices would mitigate alcohol abuse. Slashing venue profits, operational staffing hours and wages and available entertainment will not have the desired effect. There will be no safe spaces anywhere.

Q: Any other comments?

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: [Miguel Cabrera](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 10:01:23 PM

Submission by:
Name: Miguel Cabrera

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Stingray /Qt Gold Coast

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I have been in this thriving industry for many years. I am not willing to continue doing so if the public is forced into a corner by an ignorant government!

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

It's an outlet for hundreds of thousands of people.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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Backward thinking that will damage us on so many levels!

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 feel disdain against anyone who thinks they know me then decides when and where I may have fun!

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

Ignorance

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 closures in precincts that are built for a night life... These huge premises would close and be a stern reminder to locals and visitors how easily the government can ruin an economy.

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?

Same as I feel about the legal tobacco trade!.. 1st world corruption!

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 give me images of desperate single mothers and the elderly..

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 will take time but relax the laws.... Don't give urgent deadlines of enjoyment!

Q: Any other comments?

We know who.. NOT TO VOTE FOR NEXT ELECTIONS!!

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From: [Trent Hammond](#)
To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Cc:
Subject: Submission to the Inquiry - Tackling Alcohol-fuelled Violence Amendment Bill 2015
Date: Thursday, 17 December 2015 10:07:45 PM

Submission by:
Name: Trent Hammond

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I am from Brisbane and am out in the Valley nearly every weekend playing at The Met Brisbane.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work as a DJ

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

As a DJ, we provide music for patrons at the venue so they can have an enjoyable night.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

The valley district has a good group of patrons and for the past 4 years I have never had any issues whilst working in the night.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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They are simply a revenue making scheme for the government, it will definitely not solve any issues, if anything it will make the valley even worse.

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 would mean a lot less work for DJ's, smaller time slots as well as less DJ's during the night, causing loss of wage. It would definitely affect my social life in a negative way.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

If certain types of drinks are banned after midnight it would definitely make the clubbing experience a lot less fun, drinking can be monitored by the bartenders throughout the night.

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 definitely affect business owners and the staff working, as hours would be cut short, and less money being spent in the venue as no alcohol would be served after a certain time. This will slowly cause clubs and pubs to close over the next few years if these rules are put into place.

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 simply a government revenue making scheme, as the government are still making money and the local business owners are being affected.

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 & Music venues will definitely always have a much funner experience over pokie machines & gambling. The whole of the valley distract is built around the community getting together, drinking and having fun. Not playing poker machines.

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 government should control the streets better and put on more transportation in place early hours of the morning. I think the violence is most likely to happen outside the club, waiting for a cab etc.

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: Leilani Verenitani

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

I live in Brisbane and often go out in and around Brisbane. I play in a band that regularly plays in venues around QLD and after shows we usually go out to either eat/unwind/drink and the lock out laws would prevent us from doing so. Also I think that lock out laws encourage people to drink more to \"make up\" for the time lost/racing to venues for lock out/drink restrictions. The lock out times also mean a large number of drunk people are on the streets at the same time rather than a staggered amount or as people make their own choice to leave a venue/finish drinks.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Play in a band

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

Our band plays in venues that where live music draws payers. Venues rely on the payers, bands rely on the venues.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

As above.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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- * No shots or straight spirits after 12am midnight, potentially bans on cocktails and RTDs
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Disgusting! So wrong! Only encourages people to go to the casino and gamble vs enjoying social activities (music/djs). Also squashes all the small businesses and only supports the big guys like the casino!

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, killer of culture.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

It only encourages people to over indulge in certain drinks prior to cut off to make up for not being able to have it when they feel like it. Some people only have one certain drink (shot/cocktail) and shouldn't be cut off because these are the drinks the consider 'wrong'. Alcohol no matter what it is is bad- it's how people consume it that creates the outcome!

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?

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 equal, not fair.

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 antisocial and promote gambling. Gambling encourages addiction- addiction promotes anti-social behaviour where people hide their addiction. Music and nightlife create culture, experiences and social interactions. There is no comparison when it comes to music/nightlife to gambling.

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?

Have no restrictions to drink times/lock outs or closure times of venues. It encourages people to hurry up and drink more. People will make wiser decisions when not told what to do and 'nannied'! Lockouts mean more drunk people on the streets at the same time/more in danger waiting for cabs etc etc.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Rosie Eccles

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Originally from London, I work in hospitality in Brisbane and have done so since September 2014. I work in Fortitude Valley; I also choose time spend the majority of my leisure time in this area whether it is in the bars, clubs, pubs, restaurants or cafes.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Work in a bar

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I work in a bar, the night time economy therefore pays my rent. Moreover I spend a majority of my leisure time (being now a night owl by nature) contributing to the night time economy. For me and many others this economy revolves in this manner.

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

I have spent my entire Australian experience working and playing in the night time economy of Queensland it has therefore been the pivotal structure of my relationships and memories of this country. Through the night time economy I have found friends for a lifetime and met many inspiring people - in both colleagues and patrons. These night time workers come from all walks of life. They are parents trying to pay off their mortgage and provide a full life for their children or they are students struggling the balance between work and study - but they have no choice and they also find the night time economy fulfilling, as I do. I have met business owners and entrepreneurs who have come from nothing and built a life for themselves and many others, all thanks to the night time economy. As a Londoner, I find the night time options and precincts within Brisbane limited and these suggested bans and limits on trading to venues and small businesses seems ludicrous and absolutely opposed to the nationwide focus upon small business and community mindedness. For me the new casino in Brisbane coinciding with the suggested new liquor laws is no coincidence but completely conspiratorial.

I thoroughly enjoy my job and I have been working in the night time economy for nearly six years in both the UK and Australia and I would not change the experience for anything. Altering lock-out laws in Queensland will not have a positive impact on any supposed alcohol-fuelled violence problems it will merely shift the problem to the suburbs and to unregulated situations at people\'s homes or increase drug related issues in the hours after 1am.

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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- last drinks at 2am - as mentioned earlier this will only increase supposed issues and constraints on police officers and emergency services as patrons will look to other means by either abusing recreational drugs or spreading outwards and continuing their nights in the suburbs where there are no police, managers or bar staff to regulate their drinking, there will be a direct increase in drug related incidences and call-outs to suburban areas.

- 1am lock outs in precincts with 3am last drinks. For me this will directly affect me economically. I will effectively lose between four and six hours of work a week as a result of this regulation. This will mean that I will have nearly \$200 less income each week, and nearly \$200 less to potentially put back into the Australian economy. Multiply my reduced income by all the other night time workers that lose hours or even jobs as a result of these proposed regulations and I believe that equals to a huge loss in Queensland's economy.

- no shots or straight spirits after 12am and potentially a ban on cocktails and RTDs - Firstly shots, straight spirits, cocktails and RTDs are not necessarily bywords for 'strong'. I know from my knowledge as a bartender that quite often cocktails and shots (especially popular mixed shots) are not any stronger than mixed drinks as they are also mixed. Moreover a ban on these strands of alcoholic drinks is offensive to both the bartender's ability to judge a patron's intoxication level and the patron's right to choose their night out. In the manner of specific drinks it is also worth remembering that not all patrons drink 'to get drunk' some wish to enjoy a scotch, whiskey, bourbon, gin, tequila, vermouth, vodka, or whichever as they like it, whether it be mixed, on the rocks or neat. The hour of the day should not be important, the only matter should be whether the bartender or waiter judges that the patron may have already had too much to drink. A paying patron should have the right to soberly leave their home after midnight and be served a straight spirit, shot, cocktail or RTD without question.

- Pokies to be allowed to continue to operate after last drinks - Last drinks in precincts are proposed to be 3am - this is as Queensland Government insists this will reduce alcohol related violence. However the continued operation of Pokie machines past last drinks suggests that the government trusts the Queensland population to have their own faculties enough to gamble at their own will and loss (and to the eventual benefit of none other than the Queensland Government) whereas they do not trust the population to be able to consume liquor (unless it's within the casino, of course). I feel I needn't exemplify how nonsensical this is - my point stands on its own. Moreover patrons are not trusted to consume shots, straight spirits, cocktails or RTDs, under the pretence of their own protection, after midnight yet Queensland will allow them to continue throwing their money into "banker always wins" machines. Domestic violence and alcohol problems in this country are directly related to the availability of gambling machines. Queensland Government is not fighting a righteous war against alcohol related violence or incidences; it is looking to increase its own pocket by giving its new casino the monopoly.

- New bottle shops to close at 10pm, all existing to close at 12am - This is nonsensical - why? Why do existing bottle shops have more of a right to trade than new bottle shops?

- Exemptions for casinos - I think we already know my stance on this. It's absurd. Why do Casinos have more of a right to serve alcohol than venues that provide entertainment in the form of music, dancing, theatre, comedy and art? Or venues that serve food? I think we both know that the profit margins that the Queensland Government are hoping to achieve by giving their casinos the monopoly of the night time market is the only reason for these proposed laws. The only benefit for this exemption is for the Casinos, their staff and for the Queensland Government. Whereas the economical losses to the street cleaners, police officers, restaurants, cafes, entertainment venues, taxi drivers et cetera., are far more detrimental to society as a whole.

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 expressed above the proposed wind back in hours would result in a loss of hours and thus a loss in wages, which would thereby result in less money being put back into the Queensland economy by myself. I cannot speak for everyone I know in the industry but I know that I put a lot back into it because I respect it and see its value; I want to support it and those involved.

It may result in a job loss for myself or for colleagues/fellow hospitality workers.

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

The ban on certain types of drinks will affect the company I work for. Patrons will ask for drinks and will be immediately refused service on the grounds of new legislation. It will up to the staff and management to reason with patrons as they insist that they are within their rights to choose their drinks (which many will be). Refusing patrons certain types of drinks within the venue will initially result in more violence and eventually result in more patrons looking to other means for a release - pre-loading, recreational drugs or unregulated drinking in homes. I see no benefits.

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 and work in the Fortitude Valley precinct. The area will die. I moved to this area because it was close to my work place. Many new businesses will cease to trade. I may lose my job. The buzz of Fortitude Valley which is so famed (for its day and night vibrancy) will be gone.

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, nonsensical. I don't see poker machines as a culture or sociable. Venues that support art, theatre and music (especially on a local scale) are culturally valuable and should receive more government support. More often than not the fact that these venues serve alcohol as well as providing a space for culture to be fostered is by the by. If I want to see a musician or watch a piece of theatre I will come for that reason only and alcohol has nothing to do with this.

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?

Touched on above - there is a direct correlation between violence, gambling and alcohol. The correlation between violence, alcohol and nightclubs/live music venues is far smaller. Moreover nightclubs and live music venues encourage more positive social interactions and connections than gambling-oriented venues.

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 reduction of anti-social behaviour and the supposed violent culture can only come from one place - the home. If we put money into commuting programmes which helped families and individuals better understand and deal with their issues and emotions we would see a direct reduction in violent behaviour. Alcohol releases inhibitions, it does not make a person violent. The violence already exists within a person, we just need to help each other deal with other problems so that we solve them practically and responsibly.

Q: Any other comments?

No thank you

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Name: Max wilson

Q: Tell us about where you are from, and where you work/play.

Play

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Q: In a few words, explain what role you play in the night time economy.

I like to go out and spend money and enjoy time with my friends .

Q: Are you a patron of the nightlife and don't want to see it diminished?

Yes

Q: What are your positive experiences working/playing in the night-time economy?

Injoy able night till the morning all the time

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?

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3 am lock out 5 am close

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?

Won't be able to spend 3 extra hours with my mates

Q: How would the bans on certain types of drinks after 12am affect you/your business/your experience?

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