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

I am from Brisbane, born and raised and when I am out I am always out in West End/Paddington/Fortitude Valley/New Farm/Brisbane City etc. Nightlife is a big part of my life.

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. Previously worked in the industry for some time as a photographer and that was my sole income.

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 been involved in any sort of negative impacts by the night time economy. As a shift worker the ability to go and have a late meal or late drink or both when finishing late is vital to me. I work in the emergency services and having a place to wind down is vital. Our city is growing rapidly and gaining notoriety for having some amazing food, coffee, beer and night life. It's positive in almost every way.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Horrible. We know for a fact that poker machines are as addictive as many available and illegal drugs and not to mention that some of these poker machines are funding by large multinational corporations (including the Fresh Food People). Encouraging gambling as an alternative to drinking is replacing a perceived problem with an actual one.

The lockout times do no good. Instead of forcing everyone out on to the street at 3am you're doing it earlier. It encourages people to drink more by limiting what time they're allowed to be out essentially. I'll be truthful when I say that nobody wants to be at their favourite bar having soft drinks and putting money hand over fist into pokies. That's what the casino is for.

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

Again, as a shift worker I have no ability to go with the masses when I please and the closure of establishments earlier just removes any possibility of normality with my life outside of work.

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

It is a staple for me to try and have a beer after work. Sometimes I finish work at 1am or 2am or 11:30pm and the fact that I can now, as we speak go to a pub that is open and have a beverage late at night is important to me. It also means restaurants can stay open later for my business as well. The removal of that just forces me to go home and have no social life outside of work. Which can be far worse than a late night 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?

Musicians will get less work. Less hours to play means that as many bands or people can't fit on a bill. Some clubs and pubs rely solely on later in the evening trading. These establishments are Brisbane landmarks and essential must travel to locations for tourists (The Beat Megaclub, Family, Oh Hello, Zuri, La Rouche, Bowery, Sixes and Sevens are a few that spring to mind)so without that you're not only damaging Queensland business owners but also tourist potential because as we well know young, in their twenties backpackers and travellers love this city and they continue to return for a reason and I'm sure it's not just the weather.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 saddens me that we have simply allowed to replace socialising with others over a drink to forcibly placing them in front of a poker machine to waste money as an alternative to night life because drunken louts have tarnished the nature of drinking. I can tell you this much, in being active in the night life scene for over a decade the only people who start fights are the people who are forced out on to the street at 3am. These people if they were allowed to stay until they pleased, they would not be fighting over a cab (which might I add, also need to be addressed).

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

Local artists. That's all that needs to be said. Poker machines provides absolutely zero value to the community. You've heard of Powderfinger I'm sure, have you heard about that poker machine at Chalk Hotel in the back right corner? I don't think so. Case and point. We can showcase artists and that's usually at a licensed venue. We cannot showcase 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?

Education at a younger level is imperative. There are laws in place to punish people who fight. We cannot believe that everyone is immune to anger no matter what. That's just not how life works. Education is the only thing to arm people with from making terrible decisions. I've never been involved in any sort of altercation with police, citizens or otherwise because of alcohol. That's not a unique case. In this case with the government you believe the exception to be the rule. It simply is not. Stand at the corner of Brunswick St anywhere and tell me the ratio of happy smiling people and violent aggressive people. Everything I have ever seen in any place with licensed venue in Brisbane pushes me to believe that you wouldn't see a whole lot of aggressive folk.

Q: Any other comments?

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

I am from Brisbane. I work in the entertainment industry and I play all all over Queensland. This law is going to impact my industry greatly, it will mean reduced entertainment in Queensland and that not only takes food off my families table but also kills culture in Queensland! This will only lead to people finding alternative and uncontrolled ways of people partying on there weekends. In short this is a very bad idea and I am fully against it!

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 create a healthy night life buy entertaining and selling alcohol & food in a controlled environment.

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?

Live music is part of queenslands culture. Making crowds enjoy there nights is highly rewarding, it is my passion and I'm proud of thr growing culture in Queensland.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It is absolutely going to kill the live music 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?

It would be the beginning of the end of my career in Brisbane and I believe I would have to move to another city.

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

It would affect negatively

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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?

This is greedy, pokies destroy people's lives, I've seen it first hand. They also kill music which kills 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?

Pokies do not benefit the community, they are terrible and there should be a limit place on pokies and not lock out times!

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

Put a limit on pokies, they are anti social and as I said earlier gambling destroys people's and people's families lives, introduces protection laws around keeping live music going.

Q: Any other comments?

You cannot undo what is already done, if this goes ahead there will be no looking back and it will kill live music and destroy our culture and our freedom

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

I'm from brisbane qld Australia. I work in aspley and go to the valley sometimes with friends. Mainly birdees, the met, family and cloudland. I would be very sad if the laws changed about night clubs. Not everyone is badly behaved and the rest of us who aren't and enjoy going out sometime with friends shouldn't have to suffer. Please consider you will lose people at clubs as well as young peoples jobs and older peoples jobs. It's tough enough with jobs at the moment. Don't make these worse in Australia.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I occasionally enjoy going out to party with friends and don't want new laws to effect that. Us young people have the right to enjoy our younger years.

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 letting loose sometimes with friends and don't think laws should be allowed to effect that just because some people don't behave well.

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I don't agree not everyone is badly behaved. We shouldn't have to suffer just because some people don't act responsibly.

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

It would cut back on how much I'd want to go out because it wouldn't be the same as before.

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

I don't agree as said before. Clubs will lose business which will result in possibly having to shut down and jobs lost.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 possibly result in places having to shut due to not having enough business.

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

Not fair on DJs trying to get into the 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?

Night clubs don't have 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?

Better security and more police. More cameras ect

Q: Any other comments?

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

From Egypt then moved to Melbourne then moved to Brisbane recently. I work at a medical centre. I study pharmacy. I enjoy many clubs. Like Fridays, Black Birds, Cloudland and more. So many fun times had in these 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 support the night time economy with my business on the regular and in turn it supports with me with a fun time and a great atmosphere.

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 birthdays and celebrated many events in the night time economy. Had fun dancing and relaxing with my friends. I also had fun watching late night soccer games at some bars and clubs.

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I do not agree with these laws. They are ridiculous. These laws are too restricting on our youth and will not help in anyway to reduce alcohol related violence. The prevalence of these incidents will not decrease. You will just take more money away from the economy and give the youth less chance to have fun. The government just wants to make more money from gambling because there's more money in that. Gambling is much worse for people's lives than staying later and drinking a bit more.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 less freedom. Less fun and reduced social life.

I enjoy being out until late and drinking is fun for me. Never had any issues. People in other countries stay up all night drinking and they don't get told to go home. 3 am and 5 am are very reasonable times.

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

It would affect me a lot. After 12 I only drink spirits and shots are a fun way of maintaining a good level of fun. This would ruin everything. I would not enjoy myself as 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?

Definitely jobs would be lost. Businesses would lose money and people would not be happy. It's a lose lose situation.

Musicians would be ok I think

They usually play early in the nights anyway.

The nightlife in all areas and my area would decrease a lot.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 wrong and it shows how the government operates. It just wants money and gambling produces a lot of that. I've seen more people lose their lives to gambling than to alcohol. This is corruption. That's how I see 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?

It is a much nicer environment. More fun. Relaxing. Easy to enjoy. Great place to enjoy music. Poles areas feel dead and not lively. The atmosphere is terrible

Q: What are your 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 much to be honest with you. Seems good to me now.

Q: Any other comments?

Please do not go through with these laws you will see that no one wins in the end. Thank you

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

I am an Irish man living here for the last 14yrs. I play music in Brisbane and Gold Coast pubs and clubs. This industry is essential to everyone's way of life.

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.

We keep the city's people entertained, community spirit alive and need these venues to earn 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?

This industry is always suffering from volume controls. Young people thrive on the arts and our clubs are the easiest places to watch live music.

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None of these proposals will change anything in a positive 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?

Loss of work

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

Less patrons. Less work.

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

Live music will be the first thing that is cut

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 is a disgrace

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

I think poker machines do more harm than any 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?

I would make more live music venues for kids to enjoy rather than force them to walk the streets.

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.

Im a brisbane dweller & work entertainment in the valley

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Dancer

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

I work in the adult entertainment 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 love working nights, its fun & works out better for me than working days.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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This will just ruin the valley & effect every single business and venue.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 my industry the hours that may be cut are the biggest money making hours. It will be chaos.

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

People wont go out anymore.

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

Everything will turn to shit. Loss of business everywhere. Sad looking 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?

I don't even want to think about that 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?

I love gambling but i think its stupid to change the laws.

Q: What are your 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 you want to avoid anti social behavior, leave the laws alone.

Q: Any other comments?

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

I am from Northern NSW and have been living in Brisbane for the past 12 years. I work and study throughout the week, and I enjoy nothing more than spending most Friday and Saturday nights in the City or Valley at Nightclubs and Bars.

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 Brisbane's nightlife. I gladly spend \$50-\$70 each night of the weekend (Fri-Sat-Sun) buying drinks, food, entry, cabs etc. I help fund many nightlife businesses in return for the fun and entertainment they offer my friends and I.

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?

By playing in the night-time economy, I am able to enjoy my life. I work hard throughout the week, I pay my taxes, and I love nothing more than going out most weekends and seeing my friends, meeting new people, drinking my favourite drinks and dancing all night. One of the best parts of Australia is the freedom we have TO enjoy ourselves.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think bringing forward the last drinks time by 3 hours is extremely harsh.
I think 1am lockout is not long enough to be able to visit a few different venues in the one night, which many people usually do.
I think no shots after midnight is unfair. How about no shots after midnight for people who appear to be really drunk? That seems more fair.
I think it's extremely unfair that the law is exempt for pokies and Casinos. We all know that the government

should be fair to ALL trading businesses, yet sometimes find loop holes to suit NOT the people, but their own interests. Are these the leaders we really want?

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 wind back in trading hours would diminish mine and many other's nightlife experiences. This is because we would have less time to enjoy ourselves at venues, and perhaps wouldn't be able to go to as many clubs/bars in the one night as we usually do because of the extreme and harsh lock out laws.

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

Bans on certain types of drinks after 12am would make me feel oppressed. We live in a free country! So why can't I - a responsible drinker - be able to purchase a certain type of drink after 12? This rule should NOT be in effect, it won't achieve anything except dismay amongst the 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?

The worst thing that could happen would be that QLD'ers would decide it isn't worth going out anymore if bars/nightclubs stop serving drinks and close too early, compared to the current situation, whereby the final serving of drinks and closing times are far more decent. From this, I can foresee businesses - nightclubs, bars, food places, cabs etc. - losing money, and in some instances, being forced to close for good. As a result, QLD would lose its night-time vibrancy which makes it so special.

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

I am angry and upset. I feel that from these proposed laws, the government doesn't see gambling as a problem, and it doesn't mind if it pushes QLD'ers to be exposed to that environment and lifestyle. In fact, by NOT applying the new laws especially to pokies venues and Casinos, it seems the government IS INDEED encouraging people to gamble, because for some reason, alcohol can be bought there still at those times when everything else is closed.

Q: How do you 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 does more harm than good. You rarely win anything, you can become easily addicted, and when the latter happens, you can potentially lose life savings, houses, marriages and livelihoods. In contrast, by attending nightclubs and live music venues, I can meet new people, catch up with old friends, and maintain a healthy social life which is important for healthy living.

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

Instead of copying NSW and implementing similar, silly laws - which ultimately destroyed their infamous night-life precinct "King's Cross" - why don't we try different things like implementing a "night-life Mayor" like London is doing, try educating students in schools on safe alcohol use, try re-inforcing strong anti-violence campaigns such as "one punch-one kill" (but maybe one like "Look after intoxicated mates, ensure they get home safely" which could be quite effective, and enforcing stricter entry into venues/buying of drinks depending on the severity of one's drunkenness.

Q: Any other comments?

These proposed laws will cause:

- More people to have house parties which will disturb neighbours and "draw out" drunken/party behaviour into neighbourhoods
- Patrons to drink MORE in the shorter time they have to drink, thus potentially increasing drunkenness
- Patrons to take more drugs because they can't have fun with shots of alcohol even
- Cause more people to go out earlier and thus NOT fix the problem at all
- Cause more people to seek Casinos and gamble

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

I am a DJ and rely on the Brisbane nightlife for work at late night venues

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.

DJ - providing excellent music to the crowds of people looking to have an enjoyable night out at a 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?

As a DJ I get to see people enjoying them selfs on a weekend and having fun at venues that provide late night drinks and music. It's a very important thing to have available in any city.

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

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 definitely result in a lot less chances for work

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

I think the time of hour that this should or shouldn't be allowed is ridiculous, why do you need to control people like that? Just let the people enjoy their weekend and allow them to have whatever drink they choose at whatever time they decide.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 people would be less likely to go out. Having an early cut off time for drinks will mean the people that do go out would end up binge drinking before they even get to the valley/venues/bars. Causing an increase of even more intoxicated people in the valley and other nightlife areas.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 stupid to allow gambling addicted fools to waste away their nights sitting mindlessly in front of pokie machines! Why??. Let the people drink and be free in their nightlife adventures, why single it down to allow pokie addicts?

Q: How do you 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 always avoid the pokie machine area, it's filled with weirdos and the people using them smell like cigarette ash trays. It's a depressing part of any venue. I hate pokies. Completely un-needed and a waste of space. The people who occupy them are scum.

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

Coorparoo, 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.

Build business and growth in the fortitude valley precinct

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 move between clubs in my own time

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it's disgusting to shut out everyone at the governments proposed time but let casinos be exempt

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

Lack of freedom to move between venues and working in the industry means if I want to have a drink in forced to go to the casino after work ... It will also mean less money to be earned for me

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

Selling high end liquor that would be a sin to mix is now a no go under the proposed changes

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 losses ahead under the proposed changes ... Business will close , music industry will die , job losses will happen and the basic freedom of having a drink late for those people who don't start to drink until after 12 am will be forced to do so in local areas where there is no police

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

Encouraging gambling over a culture of live music and social behaviour will only create bigger issues in the 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?

Socialising in a positive manner to promote live music growth to help build community spirit and jobs will be lost to addictive gambling and anti social behaviour

Q: What are your 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 promote live music venues and look to curb alcohol fuelled violence with education with young people and a bigger police presence in entertainment precincts

Q: Any other comments?

The problem is bigger than moving alcohol serving times ... Education for young people and changing the culture that way is better than killing of a whole industry ! You will get the desired results long term rather than looking for a quick fix solution

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Submission by:
Name: Caelan Reid

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

I am from Sunshine Coast. I live in Windsor, close to Fortitude Valley. I work from home.

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 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?

The scene helped me develop my interpersonal skills and express myself.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it is shamelessly draconian and blatantly to assist in the profits of 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 and it would negatively impact my social life and happiness.

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

It would fundamentally change the length of my nightlife experiences.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 scene dying.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 disgusted that people getting together and dancing is more expendable to the government than a person pouring their money into a 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 have zero interest in 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?

Focus on shaming the kind of aggressive nature that many pubs/large nightclubs have bred, through awareness campaigns. It's being done for drink driving and binge drinking, it can be done for violence related to nightlife as well.

Q: Any other comments?

The government are pigs.

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Submission by:
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[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4552

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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Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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: Takanori Tai
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Postcode: 4214

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

I am born and raised on the Gold Coast. I am a student pilot and regional manager/food safety supervisor of a sushi company. I enjoy going out in Surfers Paradise and 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'm a customer and a supporter of the creative arts.

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 new friendships and connections. Dancing freely and not being judged on who you are or what you are.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Sometimes I leave the venue around 4-5am and I feel much safer, since there are less people out and about causing a ruckus. Kicking everyone out at 3am will cause more violence, as a more dense collective of people will be on the streets increasing the risk of possible fights and innocent people being attacked. Refusing service of certain alcoholic beverages after 12 will just encourage more people to start drinking at homes earlier, which is dangerous as they will not be able to judge how many standards they have consumed (no one pours drinks at home with a shot glass). This new proposal is basically encouraging people to go to venues where GAMBLING is the main attraction. Gambling is very addictive and an unhealthy habit. I've known many people who have lost their families, in unreparable debt and cannot sustain their lives due to this disease. Although it may increase the revenue for the government, they are putting many people's lives at risk at the same 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?

I would lose the great venues of where I'm able to enjoy catching up with my friends over a few drinks and listening to great acts from across the globe. It would reduce jobs and work affecting many hard working people's livelihood. It is a loss of freedom because they are treating everyone like kids, and what happens majority of the time when you tell a child to not do something? Since I work a fair bit and keep myself busy with my studies, I'm usually only able to see my friends at these venues late at night.

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

As I have said earlier, refusing service of certain alcoholic beverages after 12 will just encourage more people to start drinking at homes earlier, which is far more dangerous as they will not be able to judge how many standards they have consumed (no one pours drinks at home with a shot glass). I don't drink much alcohol myself, but if more people come to the venues blackout drunk from pre-drinks, I would not be able to enjoy a proper conversation with them. Which is half the fun of going out. To talk to friends and meet new 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?

Many privately owned businesses will close, causing a monopoly in the industry, which is not a fair and just economy. Opportunities for musicians will diminish and jobs will be lost, causing a loss of freedom and availability of the creative arts, which in turn is a loss in the vibrancy of 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?

As I have said before, this new proposal is basically encouraging people to go to venues where GAMBLING is the main attraction. Gambling is very addictive and an unhealthy habit. I've known many people who have lost their families, in unrepairable debt and cannot sustain their lives due to this disease. Although it may increase the revenue for the government, they are putting many people's lives at risk at the same time, which is basically immoral.

Q: How do you 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 life in these venues. Many people enjoy their time there and the majority have a smile on their faces. I've been to a Casino 3 times. Every time has been boring and nothing like any ad or what you see in movies. It's just a collective of people who have been conned into the very slim possibility of making easy money and getting their bank account drained by greedy companies who don't care if you win or lose, because the owners will be making more than 7 figures easily.

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

You cannot change the anti-social behaviours in areas of gambling. It is a situation where people are putting their money on the line and focusing completely on the "game", because they do not want to risk the chance of losing because they were "distracted". If I was in parliament I would not even consider passing this new proposal. There are so many downfalls to many venue owners, staff, musicians and customers, and only benefiting the 1%. I would rather support the strict penalties and cack down on the recreational use of anabolic steroids, fund anger management groups, and have all schools to teach open fist self defence classes (as this has taught myself to not strike, but to block, disarm and divert oncoming threats)

Q: Any other comments?

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

I live and work in Brisbane. I am currently employed as the Venue Manager of the Met Nightclub, previous to that i was Venue Manager at the Gpo Hotel and for 5-6 years before that, i held a number of positions within the hospitality industry at various pubs, restaurants, gaming bars and nightclubs in Fortitude Valley, Brisbane City and surrounding suburbs.

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.

The venues i am involved with provide a product and destination for patrons to come out with their friends and have a great time while experiencing some of the biggest national and international music artists. This has a flow on affect for other local businesses as these patrons drawn into the Fortitude Valley and Brisbane city area are visiting other small pubs, bars and restaurants, cinemas and performing arts theatres. Also, there are thousands of jobs created by our venues for bartenders, security providers, cleaners, sound and lighting technicians and the list goes on.

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 hospitality industry especially late night trading venues have given me a livelihood, i have financial stability because of the Brisbane night time economy and venues i have worked at over the last 10 years. As a patron, i frequent a lot of bars and nightclubs with my friends and cherish every night as each night offers so many great experiences and memories. Whether going to a live music venue, boutique bar for their particular selection of drinks or a late night club to see one of my favourite dj's, i really enjoy the different cultures and atmosphere these venues offer.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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New proposed trading times are a joke! They would kill our vibrant nightlife precinct and the economy at the same time.

Good luck closing venues at 3am and throwing tens of thousands of patrons on to the streets at once, now there's a recipe for more issues.

No shots or straight spirits after 12am - there's a little thing known as RSA to regulate 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?

It would mean an immediate reduction in work hours and therefore income. Lots of my staff are full time students and our late night venues provide the only hours they can work during their busy week so cutting back their hours would drastically impact their ability to fund their study.

Definitely a loss of freedoms, i wouldn't be able to work an early shift then still have time to head out with friends, i'd be locked out of the venues we would normally frequent.

Our climate is perfect for late night entertainment precincts and sometimes after working late hours, the late night venues are the only ones for hospitality workers to visit and enjoy, this wouldn't be possible with the reduced trading hours.

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

It is directly taking away revenue which our businesses rely on.

There is a Whiskey bar that a good friend of mine operates, Whiskey is made to be consumed straight, i'd hate catch up for a quiet drink with friends after a shift finishing after midnight and be told i have to mix my perfectly good Whiskey down with some sugary mixer.

I like to have the option of different types of drinks at anytime of the night so these restrictions would absolutely spoil my experience and take away from the overall vibe.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 changes would result in job losses. Immediately it would impact our bartenders and glassies and then flow on to our security providers and cleaners.

Definitely less opportunities for musicians, the less time a venue is open, the less time there is to provide adequate sets for dj's and bands.

Referring to the Fortitude Valley Precinct which i've worked in for the past four years, i can see it stopping in it's tracks! A lot of hard working people have put in a lot of effort over the years to make it a vibrant entertainment precinct which is known for late night trading and is done so in a safe and controlled environment. We've all seen the negative impact in Sydney with similar changes and i don't want to see the same backwards steps for the Brisbane City and Fortitude Valley areas.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 clearly makes no sense!

Still waiting to hear one compelling argument as to how and why this is a positive step forward.

Q: How do you 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, on one side you have venues supporting local jobs, culture and economy on the other you have stupid machines causing negative addiction and a number of social and community downfalls.

Q: What are your 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 sure there is enough being done to punish the few who do the wrong thing, instead the proposed changes will massively impact the hard working people in local business and those who go out every weekend and have fun without any issues.

I think we need to focus on education and awareness programs from an earlier age.

Q: Any other comments?

You like votes and want to be around at the next election? Rethink your stance on these ridiculous proposals.

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

Fortitude Valley, Spring 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 am a customer. I support good venues. And I value the relationships built with hardworking hospitality staff.

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?

Used to work a bit back in my younger years but now a patron. I value the core establishments I frequent. I value my time out with friends and colleagues. And I value our hospitality staff. From floor, too cellar, from bar to front. They work so we can relax.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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This government is absolutely out of touch with the realities of life. The member for Brisbane Central is an example of that. Whilst recently elevated to a Ministry, she's not done anything to protect the livelihoods of those that will be affected as a result of an ill conceived plan proved fruitless by other governments.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 much to be frank. I go after work when I do and I'm home by midnight. I don't go crazy. But occasionally - birthdays, fundraisers, community events - we might do a big one.

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

Well, me - nada. I'm home with my cats by then. Mostly. Maybe with a bottle of red. But I know the establishments I frequent and the staff that serve me will be.

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

I live in Ascot. It's dead. Portside is a cultural joke. Your vibrant areas of West End, Fortitude Valley and pockets of Spring Hill will suffer the most.

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

If you'll allow pokies and designated smoking areas, you need to reconsider your health targets and agenda.

Q: How do you 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 detest 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?

TRANSPORT. When I first started going out, Nightlink didn't exist. Then it did and it was great. Now... It's reduced to the status of a very sad meme

Q: Any other comments?

The Ministers and Members need to have a long hard look at their electorates and the motivating factors for this. This is not why the government was voted in. Personal vendettas must be set aside. There is no way you can expect Brisbane to hold its place with these restraints on our cultural life. We won't be the third city. We'll be gone.

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

I was from brisbane. I work on queen street.

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 service professional for 7 years.

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 find gainful employment despite having no skills and poor education. Learning skills i can take further to build a life long career in this industry. Assuming there is a future for it in this country. A likelihood of which i am now doubtful.

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Harsh restrictions like these harm the small players before they affect the big ones. So all they really achieve is to award a larger market share to the large venues that are responsible for the worst excesses of the industry. Small bars and music venues are the best hope for changing our countries drinking 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?

There would be greater competition for fewer jobs. Professionals with skills, unable to get full time hours would leave the industry and which would harm the quality of available service.

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

It would effectively be an earlier lockout as it would prohibit the kind of trade that the venues i work at specialise in. People drinking cocktails and fine whiskey are not likely to start fights after 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?

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?

Gambling is a greater social evil than alcohol. There doesnt seem to be any motivation from politicians to place the same kind of draconian restrictions on 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?

I actively avoid them. It upsets me to be around 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?

I would ban all public alcohol advertising. I would lower taxes and restrictions on any kind of small bar to facilitate a change in drinking culture.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Alison wiley
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4123

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

Nurse in Logan city. Go to the valley as no live music in our area.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I have seen 29 separate individual music acts this year. 14 music festivals. I dont see etoh as big problem. Drugs red bull and attitudes of getting smashed b4 heading into town.

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?

Support live music. People on the streets so food venues open and safe walking to car. More public transport on busy nights. International acts get support and financially worth holding events

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Limits shift worker access. Spills people onto sts. Only gambling supported and large corporations. Are we babies pushed off to bed.

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

Must turn brisbane into a ghost town. Embarrassing with visiting tourists. Reduce live music, jobs, freedom of choice. Cant head out after work att 11pm. Not worth effort if out by 1am

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

Can die in a war but cant drink? Rsa should be enough. Why cant you have a nice drink in a boutique bar.

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

Logan is dead already. No chance of growth. Difficult competitive sector for musicians and clubs already. Think it increases bingeing not reduces. Cram into shorter 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?

Ridiculous. Big business back hand. Gambling big community issue. Live music 1st and dancing rather than 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?

No one talks at pokies. Antisocial. No energy no movement no expression of life

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

Teach meditation in schools. Educate responsibilities and risks. What does germany do that works?

Q: Any other comments?

Shift workers need to be considered. Jobs. Music. Vibrant community.

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Submission by:
Name: Gareth Austin

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4034

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

I am from Brisbane I work at the regatta and go out in numerous spots 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.

I work as a crowd controller this is a second job for me and is the only way I can support the medical bills I need to pay for my father. Without the income generated from 30 hrs a week I will not be able to support him.

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?

Since I started working in the industry in 2002 we have cone leaps and bounds this new initiative has no useful outcome people in my opinion seem to be having safer more enjoyable evenings now than 10 years ago

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

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These ideals will cripple the industry what is the point of RSA training with these new laws they govern the ideals themselves

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 I only go out rarely due to work load but it's always a Sunday and with 2 am lockout will nullify my options and il probably just entertain at home

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

It will only affect what people spend in the venues nothing else

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

We will be crushed In the valley jobs venues will all 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?

It's obvious it's a money Racquet fir the government same as the casino will be exempt

Q: How do you 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 destroy more lives than most other aspects of night life drinking can be a problem but it's regulated far more heavily than 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?

Address the issue of our youth domestic violence increase and one punch killings are not a coincidence we have developed a disorder in the latest generation and it needs to be addressed at school level before anything else

Q: Any other comments?

George Orwell's novel 1984 was supposed to be fiction not a glimpse into our future we have civil rights right or wrong we have the freedom to make our own decisions in this country. My family have sent three generations to wars to ensure we kept that freedom

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Submission by:
Name: Matt Seib

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4118

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

BRISBANE. I Work all across South East Qld

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 am a solo acoustic covers singer guitarist who also plays in a duo. I do this as my full time 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?

It affords me the ability to go out for a drink after my gigs are finished. Usually around 1am

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Education not legislation is key in this matter. We dont live in a perfect world, therefor why do we continue to pass legislation striving towards a perfect outcome? We are a country already overlegislated because of this ideology and implementing more rules for the sake of looking like we're doing something rather than understanding that we are never going to have a 0 alcohol related police incidences within our party districts. All real social change happens through education and an underlying desire for people to change. Overlegislation just rubs people up the wrong way, and just like a child who is over disiplined, they generally just rebel.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 see a loss to my sole source of income due to venues cutting back there entertainment budget.

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

People are going to get drunk either way. Just like when alco pop tax wwent up and people starting buying more bottles instead of pre mixes, the public will just adapt there drinking tastes

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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?

Typical "selective" legislation that looks like its doing something without addressing the real 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?

There is no social interaction playing pokie machines. Enough said.

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

Continue to promote healthy lifestyle campaigns. In the wise words of Anthony Kiedis (lead ainger from The Red Hot Chili Peppers) "you can get alot higher on life than any alcohol or substance"
People generally drink to excessively to escape their usual reality. It seems that making our current reality a better one through smarter lifestyle choices promoted by education at a young age might just help mould the next generation.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Caitlin Barry
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Postcode: 4740

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

I'm from Mackay I'm a bar tender at a pub so I'm lucky that when I finish I have a social life because I would odd hours I never see anyone by changin lock out laws I will lose hours and most likely my job due to this and by people not going out many others will lose there's as well

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 bar tender full 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?

Working in a bar then going out it gives you an amazing chance to put money into the economy and see others

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Pokies are so bad for communities I would rather keep serving and making sure people get home safe then have them play the pokies

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 a house to pay off and if the laws come in I will lose my job and my house

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?

Mackay is a small town it would ruin our 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?

Q: How do you 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: Dave Curry
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4509

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

I'm a Customs Broker and Professional 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.

Music and 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?

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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It does nothing to solve the over-arching problem of binge drinking and alcohol related 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?

Less employment opportunities. Loss of civil liberties.

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?

Yes for sure, less work... Means less work.

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

Why not have balanced legislation? I think it's completely unfair. Trying to solve one issue, but then seemingly promoting another. It doesn't make sense.

Q: How do you 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 step backwards for society.

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

Increased penalties and harsher legislation for those that reoffend. Better education for younger punters in relation to binge drinking and alcohol related violence.

Q: Any other comments?

I keep reading about these apparent super stats out of Newcastle and the Sydney CBD. Yes the figures went down. But so did the foot traffic. So in actual fact, the stats went up because there are less people around.

This is an over reaction by the media, which Labour took full advantage of to win an election. Lockout laws do nothing to solve the over-arching problem of binge drinking or alcoholic related violence period.

Other countries that considered this, dropped the idea...because they found it to be unconstitutional.

I see a lot of older people here supporting laws that didn't encroach on their civil liberties when they were in their twenties. So I guess why not support laws that no longer effect them?

Why punish a whole industry and its punters.. for the mistakes of a few drunken idiots? And then why give more lenience towards gambling establishments...seemly solving one problem, but promoting another??

Doesn't make sense... But then Labour have to get these laws though on an election promise, and profits from gambling outweigh the need for balanced legislation. Okay.. now It makes complete sense?

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Submission by:
Name: Ellen Jackson
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4170

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

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?

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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Submission by:
Name: Josh Halliday
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4017

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: What are your 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: Gary McCrossan
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4159

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

I'm from Brisbane. I work for a local council, and occasionally enjoy going out in City/Valley/West End to enjoy live music.

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 supporting local venues and musicians.

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 found the majority of patrons and venues I frequent are pleasant and enjoyable.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think they are unfair to responsible patrons, unfair to venues and staff, and in a time when Queensland seeks to attract more people from around the world to holiday here, would be considered a major drawback as a tourism destination.

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

I believe it would have a negative impact on the venues I frequent, and I think it will do more harm than good.

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

I feel as an adult, I have the right to choose an appropriate beverage for 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?

I agree with all of the above statements.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 is grossly 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?

There is no comparison. Poker machines are negligible in regards to healthy, enjoyable 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?

Community education. Work in tandem with the industry to promote safe practice. Attempt to achieve long term solutions to anti-social behaviour.

Q: Any other comments?

These laws will create more trouble in entertainment precincts than they will prevent. They are a mistake, and they impinge on the rights of people who are responsible in their enjoyment of a 'night out'. For want of a better description, I also think they will appear to overseas visitors as a childish reaction to a manageable situation. I, personally, find these laws embarrassing and one-sided.

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Submission by:
Name: Alicia Mitchell
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4005

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

I am from New Farm and have been going out in Fortitude Valley since 2001.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I used to work as a lighting technician and VJ at a venue in the valley (2008-2013). I am now a patron only.

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 strongly disagree with the proposals. As a society, people should be responsible for their actions, I think further education is needed to teach people to have more respect for each other at all times, and the masses should not be punished for the actions of a few.
Pokies and gambling are also a serious social problem and should not be encouraged or offered as an activity for people who just don't feel like going home yet, or who are waiting for the cab lines to thin out.
I believe that the exemption for casinos also sends the wrong message. I understand they have some different security in place but is there not another way that other venues could also change their security levels?
If the problem is drinking then the casino should not be allowed to serve alcohol either. Surely gambling under the influence (potentially with your family home on the table) could be just as damaging to families as any 'alcohol-fuelled violence' incident.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 found the current lockout to have been damaging to a vibrant electronic music scene, and did not make the streets or venues safer.

Whilst I don't go out every weekend these days I believe that I should have the freedom to go out and see a DJ play a 5 hour set from midnight to 5am. Not everyone understands house music, but for me it's a spiritual thing and there is something special about long, late night sets.

I believe the changes will result in significant job losses, and have a negative impact on tourism.

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

This would not really impact me, however I drink responsibly and feel that I should be able to drink anything I choose at any time and I believe I can quite responsibly enjoy a cocktail at 3am.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 venues and convenience stores closing. I see job losses. There will definitely be less opportunities for musicians, and a once vibrant scene will be even further 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?

Dancing vs gambling? I know which is safer with a drink in your hand and it's not the poker 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 would rather attend a nightclub: Dancing, exercising, socialising, businesses offering a variety of experiences. Poker machines may raise more revenue but they damage lives and can be highly 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?

Community education. Respect education from a young age, particularly for young men.

Tighten controls and regulations around steroid use.

Harsher penalties for violent offenders.

Ban trouble makers from entertainment precincts.

Not encourage the use of poker machines which are very anti-social.

Q: Any other comments?

Please don't bring in the proposed changes. It won't fix the deeper problem with society, in fact it may make it worse.

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Submission by:
Name: Bede Mudge
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Postcode: 4127

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

My wife and I spent the last two years living in Fortitude Valley. We recently moved to the southside to be closer to family.

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 had nothing but positive experiences as part of the Brisbane nightlife. The vast majority of people just want to go out and have a good time - to loosen up and meet new people. Over a vast number of visits to Fortitude Valley, and two years of actually living there, I've seen one or two scuffles at most.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think these proposed laws are detestable. The current lockout of 3am is already ridiculous - and as a regular and resident to the valley I can tell you that 3am was the worst time to be out. It breaks up groups, sees friends stranded on opposite sides of a venue door, and encourages anger and frustration in those who failed to make it in for the '3am swill'. The lines for taxis become ridiculous in minutes.

All of this without any evidence that it has had any positive impact. And now, again with no real data, a corrupt government is trying to squeeze people even more. What is the point??

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 far less likely to go out. The 3am law already means that once 9pm rolls around there is very little point in going to a licensed venue. If that goes back to 1am, I would imagine that unless everyone is in a cab by 7pm, there won't be much point in going out.

Believe it or not, adults go out and drink in party venues to have *fun*. Arbitrary curfews are not fun. Being denied the right to choose a different venue after an arbitrary time is not fun. And if the state keeps doing all it can to spoil our fun, we'll just stay home.

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

I would say it would make New Years Eve a much duller experience.

What is the point? Why shouldn't people have the right to buy what drinks they like? Spirits don't suddenly become evil after 12am, like some sort of Gremlin. A man who arrives at 8am and drinks 17 beers will be more intoxicated than a man who arrives at 12am and drinks 3 tequilas. Blanket rules like this are discrimination and spit in the face of RSA regulation.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 knows that the impact to Kings Cross has been overwhelmingly negative, with a 75% reduction in foot traffic since the local fascists implemented their version of the lockouts. I would hate to see that happen to the Valley, a place I still regard as home.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 is definitely twisted that gambling is seen as less destructive than alcohol. But I wouldn't want pokies banned any more than these crackpot lockout laws. None of it is any business of the state - let venues fill their space with what they believe will attract the customers they want. Democracy is better than fascism any day.

Q: How do you 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 value nightclubs and music/band venues much higher than gambling venues. I wouldn't want either one to be shut down or restricted though - people have a right to freedom of choice.

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

To be honest, the Safe Night Out policies under the Newman government were far better. I was there while they were underway, and the only change to my experience was the presence of more police on patrol. The best policies will be like that - unobtrusive and invisible to people who don't cause any trouble, but there quickly when someone does.

Q: Any other comments?

A few of years back, I was having a drink in the Tempo sports bar (what is now the Flying Cock) at about 5pm, after work and before a music event. Two blokes walked in, and right away everyone in the bar knew they were there for a fight. They argued with the bartender, knocked over someones drink, started swearing and carrying on. The second they took a swing at someone, security were on them and had them out the door.

Lockout laws would obviously have had no impact here - an informed staff and a good community were what prevented this from being some sort of bar room brawl. But the reason I bring this up is to make the point that a small number of people have so much anger that they can't rest until they hit someone.

Early lockout laws put these people out in the street, full of anger, alongside every other innocent partygoer. Or worse, these laws discourage him from going out at all, so he stays home with his rage and his family where no-one else can judge him or interfere with his violence. I would rather he take a swing at me in a crowded venue where his actions can be witnessed and judged. In fact, it is ironic that one of the only MPs who can prevent legislation that will push more violence into the home, is an MP who was expelled from his party over allegations of domestic violence. Perhaps it just takes someone who has been on any side of the reality of DV to understand the harm this sort of junk legislation could do.

Please, listen to the citizens who call Fortitude Valley home. We know what makes our nights safe and enjoyable. Responsible staff. The company of mates. Police on the beat. Freedom, choice and most of all, *fun*.

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Submission by:
Name: Megan Pattison
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4220

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

I live on the Gold Coast and frequently go out in Broadbeach and surfers paradise. I'm 45 yrs young.

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 patron so keep the economy going by being out sometimes 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?

I have many experiences of meeting people and making long term friends being out and having fun.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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This will encourage people to either stay home and drink, or go home to continue which will take it away from controlled areas and back into apartment blocks and suburbia where there's no control. Why should pokies be allowed to continue after closing? That's 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?

It would benefit the casino only, why not implement the same rules the Casino applies, one drink per person after 3am?

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

It wouldn't, I don't drink these types of 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?

The vibrance of the area would definitely be effected and the tourism would be reduced. Large groups of people come to the Gold Coast to party. I recently met a group of guys from Melbourne, they said they can't party in Melbourne like they party on the Gold Coast.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 ridiculous, drunk people will turn to playing pokies just to stay out. Pokies are extremely addictive and this week just eccentuate the issue.

Q: How do you 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 see community benefits if poker machines when people can spend there lifes saving, ruin there families and destitute themselves putting young children into the street without food. The government should be putting more effort into controlling 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?

Do more education in schools. Look at other societies such as Italy and Greece in relationship to society drinking.

Q: Any other comments?

Lockouts are not the solution, people will just drink earlier so they are in the same state by closing. Lockouts at 1am will encourage groups of young people back home to continue which puts it back into uncontrolled environments. This will result in more police call outs and a negative impact on society.

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Submission by:
Name: Ryan Nilsson
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4115

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

Brisbane

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?

Some of the best nights of our early adulthood were had in bars and clubs in the early hours of the morning and is where I have forged lifetime friendships.

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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?

Another step in the wrong direction towards a nanny state. The majority shouldn't be punished for the actions of a few.

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 think we only need to look at what has happened to Sydney to see that all this will happen.

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

These double standards are ridiculous. The government only looking after itself and it's revenue streams from pokies.

Q: How do you 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?

Introduce mandatory ID scanners into all clubs in the valley and city so there is more accountability for people that do the wrong thing. Tougher penalties for those that do the wrong thing - especially repeat offenders

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: navneet singh
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4109

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

Sunnybank hills

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

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

I am a cab driver.

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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Submission by:
Name: Anna Lorcan
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4019

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

Redcliffe Brisbane Gold Coast Sunshine Coast

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 the one that picks them up at the end

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 experienced any problems except when they are refused entry. Worrying they are not safe in a venue but out on the street with god knows what maniacs are around ready to inflict harm. If you shut down in the city where it is set up for hordes of drunks it will spill into the suburbs like Sydney. Shortsighted knee jerk behaviour that will cost jobs tourism and fun

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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how much did packer pay the government to exempt casinos. I think it is discriminatory against all other nite life businesses

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 that seems to be a catch cry of governments
Impact negatively on social life
Impacts directly on people's jobs

Confirms that Australia is a nanny state

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

I don't drink anything but tequila shots so my night would end early every 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?

All of the above
It doesn't make going out for the nite til 12 or 1am even worthwhile

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 harms many more people than drinking alcohol. If you were really serious about caring you'd shut pokies down 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?

no comparison
Pokies does not encompass a community just the punter

Q: What are your 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

Q: Any other comments?

Don't do it

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Submission by:
Name: Nicholas Wilson
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4006

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

I was born and raised in Brisbane, I live in Fortitude Valley and work in Spring Hill as a software engineer. I spend my time out in the city, the valley and west end.

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 enjoy nights out and really appreciate the small venue scene Brisbane has built over the last couple of years. I'd hate to see these great new bars that add so much character to the city hurt.

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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They completely miss the point, favouring the gaming industry to a ridiculous extent over other entertainment concerns.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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'd be a significant hit to my enjoyment of my social time, but mostly I'm worried about the impact it will have on Fortitude Valley, where I live. Lockout style laws result in large numbers of people stuck out on the streets at one time and create dangerous and unwelcoming environments. Additionally the hit to local business will negatively impact the quality of the suburb as a place to live.

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

I enjoy cocktails and high quality spirits and later in the night I generally prefer to slow down, buying an expensive drink I can really appreciate as I finish up. The ban on these drinks means I can no longer do this and shapes as a ridiculous restriction of my freedoms.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 I live in Fortitude Valley I'm very worried about the potential negative impact to local business, including closures and a change in character of the offerings.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 looks like disgraceful pandering to the gaming industry and appears to lose sight of what the laws are meant to be about.

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

Clubs and live music venues are of much greater community benefit than pokies 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?

Improving late night public transportation and continuing the move towards small interesting venues would be a better start. Additionally education is much more important, the problem won't be solved with restrictions, people need to understand their behaviour and choose to make a change for the better.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:

Name: Yasaman Sattary

[REDACTED]

Postcode: 4069

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

From Brisbane, I work in a pharmacy and go out in the valley and the city

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: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Jackie Hunter

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4455

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

Live & work in Roma
Play in toowoomba & 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?

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

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Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Isaac Dickinson
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4741

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

From Mackay, However live in Brisbane. I go to the RE, The Vic, Stockies, Fridays etc.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I pay money to 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?

Just having great nights with my mates.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think everything should stay the way it 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?

It just makes it less fun to go out.

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

It would be annoying and make people go home earlier costing the businesses.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 make people go home earlier costing the 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?

Its inconsistent and not properly thought 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?

attending bars is much more constructive to business and community that 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?

Increase penalties for anti-social behaviour. Larger fines and more Gaol time.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Saba Salim

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4122

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?

- * New last drinks time - 2am instead of 5am
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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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Submission by:
Name: Cameron Delahunty
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4066

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

My name is Cameron Delahunty and I am a 28 year old DJ in Brisbane operating under the alias DELLA. I hold residency at The Met Brisbane, GPO Hotel, Limes Hotel, The Fox Hotel and Soleil. I also frequent a number of other nightlife establishments and have been a staple in the Brisbane music scene for over 10 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 am a dj and promoter for multiple venues and am constantly helping build our music scene on a daily basis in some way or another.

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 frequenting nightclubs and bars in Brisbane since I was 18. I am now 28 years old and feel I consistently contribute to our amazing nightlife scene in Brisbane as much as I possible can. I do this because not only is it my passion but I am also very proud of what the scene has become.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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An absolute joke! I could ramble on here for 19 paragraphs about how ridiculous these laws are but I know it will not have any impact. Simply put, we should not be punished for the poor behaviour of a small minority. We have an amazing nightlife that so many have worked so hard to establish. I have never had a single violent experience in my entire time of being in the scene. This is because I do not go looking for it and do not associate with people who are involved in violence. The only way to fix this issue is to implement harsher penalties to those who are offenders.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 devastating. Our nightlife is really starting to go to a new level. I am exposed to people involved in the industry Australia wide and we in Brisbane have a destination that people want to be apart of. This is because of the hard work from staff and positive vibes from punters.

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

People will find away around this. Its not about limiting drinks and times clubs are open. Its about expelling the wrong people from the area. Simple. I don't know why this has not been realized by "professionals"

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

100 percent. The entertainment precinct is motivated by people traffic. We are social creatures

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

We are providing resources to the wrong people. Why not look after the motivated and creative people contributing to the scene in a positive 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?

Night clubs and music venues bring people together in a positive way. It would be even better if the wrong people were inflicted with harsher penalties so that it can continue to be a positive environment for years to come. I'm not going to answer the question about the poker machines as it is a no brainer.

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

Harsh penalties for people involved in violence. Simple

Q: Any other comments?

Don't punish the majority for a minorities poor actions. We have sacrificed alot to build this scene.

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Submission by:
Name: Alexandra sultan
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4221

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

I live in Palm beach at the Gold Coast, I work full time in the design industry therefore work long hours. I also work weekends in Brisbane at a nightclub 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 on the door in a night club in the valley, it is extremely disappointing to not be able to go to a bar after work to have a beer and relax

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 good and bad experiences anywhere in the world and I don't think that implementing these regulations will be beneficial. It rules out hospitality workers from being able to enjoy the nightlife Queensland has to offer.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Sad and disappointing to the large majority of the population that are just out to have a good 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?

I would loose a lot of money as I would be working shorter hours

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

Some people finish work at 12am, why should they not be allowed to have drink? International tourists wanting to enjoy the night life, Queensland needs to rethink these laws as it will affect businesses and tourism. Why would you want to go to the Gold Coast for a enjoyable party weekend away when you have to choose one venue and stick to it all 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?

I see all of the above happening, it makes me sad that this could potentially be the nail in the coffin for small bars and generally the culture of 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?

It makes me sick that instead of people enjoying small venues and live music they are pushed into casinos, I find this such an unhealthy development in cultural mindset

Q: How do you 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 been to the casino only a few times in my life, I frequent small bars and clubs 3/4 times a week.

Q: What are your 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 raising drink prices, there is a noticeably large amount of people on drugs as it is cheaper to have a night out. Allow people to drink, mediate drugs, if you bring in laws which further restrict the population I am sure you will see a rise in illegal warehouse parties,

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Zoltan Ognyenovits
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4101

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

From Brisbane, work at Jimmys on the mall, play at capulet and the met

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, I serve a vast majority of people who know how to handle a drink.

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?

Overwhelming positive, it would be impossible for me to have a have a drink or go to a club with these new lockout laws

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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The people that want to get drunk, will still get drunk, they will preload. Those that actually will enjoy their night will be the ones affected

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 would affect the ability for me to do my job. I would no longer be able to have a drink after work. Also meaning that I would have less working hours during the week

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

People that would want to be drunk would already be drunk. Those just enjoying their night would be affected

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

West end thrives on its ability to do business. It's so naive and misthought, it's astonishing

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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

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

Punish the majority, so that the minority can continue to have the same problems as they did before. Classic nanny-state thinking

Q: What are your 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 education, improve the police-society relationship. Create better awareness rather than outright banning drinking. IT WILL NOT WORK

Q: Any other comments?

look at Sydney and the cross you blind bat

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Submission by:
Name: Robert McMahon
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4815

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

As a member of the ADF, it is necessary for those of us who spend a majority of the year away out field and abroad to be able to come home and indulge in the local nightlife with family and 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 am a social drinker and party-goer, who respects the law and doesn't drink to excess while out in town.

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 many friends and further improved relationships through being a part of the night time economy.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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As a member of the ADF, it is necessary for those of us who spend a majority of the year away out field and abroad to be able to come home and indulge in the local nightlife with family and friends. I believe that it is not feasible to reduce the opening hours of nightclubs and bars, and also exclude certain drinks after midnight, as it not only detracts from the fun of those who partake in social drinking in a safe and respectful manner, but also reduces the profit turned over by the clubs and bars who employ a large number of the local workforce.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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: Scott Ferris
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4152

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

Brisbane, I run weekly events in the Valley and Gold Coast 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.

16 years, Promoter, Event management, DJ Agent, Nightclub consultant, plus 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?

Good atmosphere, Always something to do.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Absolutely crazy! It's not fair to impose a curfew on young people and punish workers by cutting 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?

It would put me out of the business as i run door deals with venues, and can not make enough money by closing doors at 1am. My dj's would lose hours (hundreds of \$\$ per week).

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

Would reduce business by 30%, and lose atmosphere.

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

Massive loses for local businesses, much less entertainment (national & international bookings), job losses, club closures. It would hurt the Valley and Gold Coast on a huge scale.

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

Crazy. corruption at it's best

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

Totally wrong.

Q: What are your 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 social education at schools and universities, increase punishment for trouble makers and put precinct bans on patrons that deserve it.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Noyan Inal
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4031

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

I'm from Brisbane and work in the Fortitude Valley / City at various nightclubs as a DJ.
I am also a Graphic Designer for Revelry Entertainment.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

DJ / Graphic Designer for an Entertainment company

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

I DJ at various venues in the Brisbane area regularly and also travel around Queensland and Australia to DJ.
Also I am a Graphic Designer for Revelry Entertainment which relies on majority of it's work from the nightlife. This is a major source of my income through these 2 parts of 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?

Everything. The whole nightlife experience I've had djing, working and being a patron in the industry for the last 8 years has been amazing. Brisbane nightlife is like no other. There is only a handful of people who ruin it for everyone else.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think that these government proposals are not addressing the issues at all. These proposals have no evidence of actually working. Closing venues early/putting a last drinks system/etc is nothing to do with the issue, in my experience drinking is not the issue because pretty much 99% of the people who go out drink and have fun and only the 1% who can't handle their alcohol ruin it for everyone. This is a cultural and educational thing, there are certain types of people who participate in anti social behaviour. Why should the majority of people who enjoy the nightlife have to suffer for a handful of people. This in ANY situation makes no sense. Doing these these proposals will do nothing but encourage other anti social behaviour. You can't tell people what to do, they will find a way with or without the last drinks / lock out laws that come in. The exemptions to certain venues

also has no evidence to why they should stay open and others not, obviously there is other motifs in all of 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?

This would affect me greatly as I rely on the nightlife heavily for an income. Dj sets would be cut therefore my work wouldn't be as regular. If venues suffer like they have in Sydney, this will create less events / venue closures which will therefore than affect the Graphic design side of my work as these venues will either be closed or unable to afford Graphic design work.

It would also affect my social life greatly since this is where i socialise with majority of my friends.

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

These make no sense, whatever drink it is and whatever is banned people will still try and drink the same amount of alcohol.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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, job losses, music event opportunities being reduced. Pretty much all of the above. The nightlife would diminish and the thriving life of the nightlife in this city would slowly die. Sydney is a great example.

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

Gambling is the biggest and worse issue of all. Stopping the service of drinks to patrons will only encourage people to sneak alcohol into venues or to take illicit drugs. You can't tell people what to do and what and when to drink etc. It makes no sense and encouraging people to gamble because these are the only places accessible at certain times is 100% the wrong direction to be taking 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?

Stupid. Playing poker machines compared to going out and enjoying music with your mates is a lot better than 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?

Create a strike system. Very simple Very easy.

3 strikes to anyone through a year period.

Each venue will have ID scanners.

If you participate in any anti social behaviour while at a venue in Queensland you have a strike against your name, whatever it may be.

3 strikes and you are banned from all venues in Queensland for a year.

Also with extreme situations where you are charged e.g. hitting someone, etc. All three strikes are taken to your name and you are banned from all venues immediately.

This is easy, so every one is conscious to not be an idiot while intoxicated, but this also allows people who aren't the issue to have fun and do whatever they want, while the people who are ruining it for everyone have to either a) pull themselves together while intoxicated and not be antisocial or b) they will be banned from all venues for a year.

Simple.

Q: Any other comments?

Drinking is not the issue. Lockouts are not the issue. Nothing addressed by the government is the issue. The Issue is cultural and educational. The same type of people are the ones who ruin it for everyone, while everyone who knows how to have a good night out and not participate in antisocial behaviour should not have to suffer.

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Submission by:
Name: Kiarra Mraz
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4550

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

I work in beerwah however I travel to Brisbane almost every weekend and stay out past 3am most nights

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?
really lovely people great times I just love to dance

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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if we aren't allowed to be served alcohol why are you allowed to play pokies? because you're gaining more money, this is a filthy way of looking at our economy and will create more violence for sure, pull your head 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?
yes yea and yes there is no benefit to this

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

yes absolutely this will destroy jobs and experiences

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

unfair and hypocritical

Q: How do you 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 go out to play the pokies I'd go to a pub for that

Q: What are your 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 themed bars

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Candice Gunn
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Postcode: 4075

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?

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Submission by:
Name: Amy Leung
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4101

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

I am from Brisbane. I work at a chemist, we are open till 11pm and I work night shifts. We usually go to clubs in 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.

Customer

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

Yes

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Against the proposal

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 till 11pm and sometimes make plans to go out after work. Of course it takes time to get home and get ready. Banning alcohol in clubs after midnight will be difficult for persons in a similar situation to me. This means we will miss out on any alcohol at all and it may cause customers to heavily binge before the cut off time.

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

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Submission by:
Name: May Vrazofski
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4152

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: How do you 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: Jacinta Towson

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4511

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

Im from bribe island and i enjoy travelling to the valley and attending our local club. I recently have worked in the valley and will continue to be working there for a long time.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Dancer

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

My role is to entertain and make people feel welcome and ensure they are having a good 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?

I have that many positive experiences that its hard to pin-point one experience. I always leave enjoying my night and wishing it was still going.

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I think its absolutely ridiculous and they need to take a big step back and leave the nightlife alone. People are going to be so angry if these laws are passed and it will cause so much more trouble then they realize. They are stupid to think that this law will be easily followed. People will become rowdy and there will be more street violence as people will bot be ready to leave to or stoo drinking at these ridiculously early times. Its the stupidest decision they could ever make and there are much more important issues that need to adressed before 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?

I would receive less work and possibly a job loss. Most of my money is made towards the end of the night and that's been taken away from me. It would so very negatively impact a big percentage of people who are working and playing in these times.

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

Stupidest thing I've ever heard. People will just drink more and get too messy because theres now a time limit to get drunk. It's going to increase binge drinking and cause more alcohol related incidents due to people being overly intoxicated. It puts staff in danger as we have to enforce these stupid rules.

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

It would completely ruin the nightlife, in every way possible.

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

Thats 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?

As if you would encourage gambling you idiots.

Q: What are your 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 worrying about stupid shit like this and let people have fun. I would be worrying about bigger issues like the fact that australia is slowly turning to america and we're screwing our own country and the people in this country are suffering so much in silence.

Q: Any other comments?

You are all retards.

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Submission by:
Name: Oscar Ferne
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4101

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?

The wide range of this law effects those of us who work nights and appreciate winding down with beers after work. We can do so responsibly after 2am (a time which is not late for night workers) and do not need such intence regulations in areas that do not have issues of drunkenness.

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?

A third layer of service between serving alcoholic beverages and completely shutting out the person, where they may buy beers and mixed drinks, rather than shots.

Q: Any other comments?

These new laws will only force those who look to get extremely drunk and violent, to do so at earlier hours. This does not solve our problems and in fact causes issues for other patrons.

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Submission by:
Name: Martin Pedersen
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4505

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

I'm from Brisbane and I work in the offshore oil and gas industry.

I go to the fortitude valley to socialise with friends for dinner and drinks when I'm home.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

No

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

I put my FIFO money into the local economy by eating and drinking at various establishments. Sometimes I'll stay out all night, I don't cause any trouble and think it's unfair that I can't stay out all night and businesses will suffer

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 people, trying new foods and drinks. Enjoying myself with good company.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think it unfairly targets businesses and civilised patrons who are in the vast majority.

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

It would mean less going out so yes it would affect me negatively

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

It would put a dark cloud over the nightlife culture and slowly choke the industry and erode the culture

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 businesses closing and job losses. I see less musical talent coming from Queensland and the vibrancy aka the culture being destroyed.

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

It's ridiculous.

Q: How do you 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 even close. Poker machines are not social and they have negative social and financial implications for addictive 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?

Increased co operation between police and venues. Better enforce ment of RSA rules. Smarter penaltys for offenders. A good deterant for people looking to cause trouble.

Q: Any other comments?

Don't turn us into a nanny state.

I had thought about investing in a pub in the next few years but I won't consider it if these laws go ahead.

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Submission by:
Name: Bonnie Talbot
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4051

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

I am from Brisbane and am a club promoter in the Valley.

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Promoter

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

I regularly go out as a patron to enjoy the night life. However I am also a promoter and encourage people to see our city at night by going clubbing and 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?

I get to meet new people everytime I go out. I also know that I am guaranteed a safe time.

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I dont agree with it. It wont stop people from doing these things. They will potentially just move to another location in order to continue, placing them at higher risk and potentially causing street havoc.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 impact as I would most likely loose my job/any other potential job. Resulting in a lose of income. I would also be less likely to go out and enjoy the night as I believe it would limit my freedom. Not to mention with everything stopping sooner I would face the trouble of getting hom as I usually use trains and buses which dont start back up till 5am.

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

My night would be entirely limited. I would feel restricted/loss of freedom and wouldn't be able to relax or enjoy it entirely.

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

I believe if it is implemented there will definitely be a high lose of jobs and income. It would also impact job availability in the future. Rejuiced pay and people would lose interest after loosing their freedom.

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

I am absolutely appalled with this. Gambling cannot be controlled and should not be encouraged. Most people who do it usually have an addiction and it isnt entirely sociable. However they want to restrict alcohol which is a means of people socialise.

Q: How do you 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 look at where the issues are arising from and work on the consequences of individuals not restricting everyone and potentially damanging the community.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Dean Grivins
[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4214

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

I have been a DJ at elsewhere nightclub on the Gold Coast for the last 5 years. It was a dream of mine when I turned 18 to play there once and I have now got to live that dream for 5 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 am a DJ, a patron, a promoter.

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 met the most incredible people and forged relationships that have opened opportunities to play and party at many venues.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Its going to be a lot harder to get work as many venues will be scaling back on late night DJ's. Its going to slow cultural and artistic growth as many venues won't chance their money on acts that they know aren't going to sell 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 will get a lot less work. Have less social life time when I'm not playing to enjoy. I'm thinking about moving state to combat this?

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

Less money for venues to spend on entertainment and employees. I will get paid less 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?

All of the above. Just like Kings Cross but to a whole state. Disaster.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 ridiculous. Why isn't it even? I assume they give thee government more money and thats the answer.

Q: How do you 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 hate poker machines but I think it should be fair for all venues. How do you compete when one stays open serving alcohol and the rest have to shut earlier then before?

Q: What are your 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 relax drinking and opening time laws for venues as it has proved time and time again to reduce violence. I would keep all late night venues in one precinct with an up-scaled police presence.

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Alex Epps

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4102

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

South Brisbane. Fortitude Valley. West End. Caxton Street.

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.

Promotion of Venues and 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?

So many friendly faces and great musical and cultural experiences.

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

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Fortitude Valley and West End night life are what make Brisbane special. Don't punish the masses for the mistakes of a few!! This is dumb! There should be no lockout legislation. All the violence stems from people missing 3am. Places should be better at enforcement of RSA and close at 5am. Everyone is happy! I hate that the casino is the only exception!

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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'm a night owl. I don't like the fact that I'll have no where to hang with friends and watch/promote good music and culture!

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: Any other comments?

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Submission by:
Name: Josh Ritchie

[REDACTED]
Postcode: 4218

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.

Just a regular punter. And play a few gigs on the odd occasion

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 hearing new music

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Honestly we barely have any culture left and this will kill it all... it is a fact tourist come here to party. The economy will suffer and i find it very funny how the casino's can stay open. This government will be encouraging gambling if that's the only place left to go. And people need to stop moving next door to bars that have been there forever just to complain about noise. Seriously!!

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 definitely without a doubt loose income as i play shows. Plus it will make life boaring as hell. Haven't you taking away enough of our freedoms?

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

Once again. Australia a so called free country where everyone is laid back.... waitt we aren't like that at all anymore. Also this will 100% lead to more drugs being taken. Drugs shld not be cheaper then 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?

Loss of culture
Loss of jobs
Loss of income
Loss of tourists
More house partys
More drugs
More unsupervised drinking
More people on the streets more fights

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

This is absolutely wrong!! Surely its better for youth to be at a live music venue rather then gambling! We will have a generation with no culture other then 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 benefits are massive for 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?

More live music venues not less. Much better traing for security and staff. Legalize drugs and put the massive amount of tax money into social issues. Control purity stop deaths... finally admit nothing you ever do works so its time for some new thinking rather then banning everything. You may aswell cash in on it

Q: Any other comments?

Perhaps its time to let us take responsibility for our own actions instead of taking away everything because of a few idiots.. its always the easy political fix rather then actually doing the hard work. Your all lazy and the public has lost faith in this hole system.

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Submission by:
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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 love going out to clubs and bars checking out live bands as well as having a great 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?

People having a great time with music, people not being on the street after, honestly too much to list here.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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1AM lockout will force more people onto the streets, whilst making people not want to go out as well as have illegal raves, causing more problems for QPS and suburban hospitals. Pokies operating after is just ridiculous, it will promote gambling, which I thought was generally not good but I could be fooled by the current government. I personally really don't think these laws are the answer. Something tackling binge drinking is probably a better option.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 my life socially on weekends as there will be less safe places to go out to either listen to music or party, as well as raise the unemployment rate as the hospitality industry is one of the highest employers in the region.

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

It doesn't bother me personally however would be worrying that more people would turn to drugs rather than arguably the safer option alcohol. This may cause more fights as well as make it not as safe for other 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?

Job losses for sure, less work for musos, venues shutting etc 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?

All stated 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?

There is no good things about Poker Machines, only cause bad things to happen. Attending live music is much different, it is enjoyable and is good for the people 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?

Q: Any other comments?

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Submission by:

Name: Nick cunningham

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

From Brisbane, play all over.

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.

Myself and people like me make a living from it. I also contribute dollars on the other side of the bar.

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 fun until whatever hour I wa

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

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- Will destroy jobs
- Will destroy live music
- Will destroy a vibrant nightlife
- Will destroy tourism(Brisbane - world city but be in bed by 2am)
- Will have flow on effects to other sectors(e.g. restaurant)
- Personally think it will increase violence, which stats seem to support

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

Unsure, definitely, absolutely and it already hard enough to have a social life working late.

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

Would not affect my business.

It would most certainly affect the enjoyment of a night out for me and my friends.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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?

The poker machines bit does not concern me. Limiting other businesses at the same is rubbish.

Q: How do you 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 really an issue. How people spend their time and money is up to them. That is one of the main issues of this debate.

Q: What are your 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
- some sort of chill out zones in entertainment precinct(free water, sit down etc.)
- drug testing kits

Q: Any other comments?

In my experience of 10 years visiting these establishments violence has been quite low. The violence that does occur is usually early in the night or caused by drug affected people or sometimes minors that shouldn't be there. I am sick and tired of nanny state governments trying to destroy people's fun and destroy this city/state.

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Submission by:
Name: Stacy Harvey
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Postcode: 4802

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

I have spent my whole life involved in tourism and hospitality. I have travelled the world and came back to my home town of Airlie beach to open a business

Q: Do you work in the Industry?

Owner and Operator of a Nightclub

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

I have owned and operated Mama Africa Bar & Nightclub for 14 years. It is a small successful part of the night time atmosphere and plays an important role in both employing young people and also giving them a place to socialise dance and have fun. During the last 14 years it has become harder and harder to run a small business with our licensing fees jumping from \$35 per annum to \$25,000 per annum. Our Music licensing fees have also jumped from \$3,500 per annum to \$75,000 per annum. Reduced trading hours will mean that my business will probably be forced to close down as will most small independent venues. Big venues will have monopoly's in most regional towns. Diversity will suffer and small towns will become places young people do not want to live in and tourists do not want to visit.

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 going to nightclubs since I turned 18. I love to dance and socialise and my most memorable moments have been at venues. Having grown up and now running my own nightclub I hate to think of what this will mean for the youth of today. They not be given the opportunities to go out and have fun with people their own age and many will suffer from boredom. The social culture of Australia will suffer and drugs will become a much bigger problem as it already is in small towns without a decent nightlife culture.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I am totally opposed to the proposal on all levels. Especially the exemption for Casinos as this goes against

everything I believe in of a fair and just work environment. The lockout laws will destroy most small venues who do not have DOSA and vastly change the social life of the youth today. It will greatly increase drugs use in the community and affect the tourism industry. The youth adventure market is already suffering as increased pressure and costs on the hospitality industry increases the average cost of food and beverages and overseas destinations such as South East Asia become even more popular.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 cannot believe that anything positive can come from forcing small businesses out of the industry. it is mostly privately run venues that live in the communities they operate in. they are mostly hardworking honest people who contribute back into their communities often sponsoring events and sporting groups. They end to own properties on the towns and have families at school as well. This will all change instantly as small operators are forced out and big businesses takes over. Profits are taken out of the town and often out of the country. I think that the policy makers are totally out of touch with the youth of today and of the needs of small businesses. If you want regional Queensland to look like Mid West America then this is the way to go. If not then I would strongly support Labour to revisit the Liberal Parties policies surrounding the Safe Night Precinct Strategy that was already having great results.

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

I am not opposed to the ban on certain drinks after midnight however it may lead to people rushing to order shots prior to midnight resulting in actually encouraging rapid consumption of alcohol

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 is 5 venues directly at risk of eminent closure as already the bottom line is difficult to stay ahead of. Queensland and our region of the Whitsundays is only just starting to show some signs of Recovery and if this policy is implemented next year I cannot see these particular venues remaining open. The 1 am lockout would mean smokers cannot re enter if they go outside for a smoke thereby cutting 20%- 30% of revenue and reduced trading hours would also mean a further loss of between 15 - 30 % of revenue. Immediate job losses would result for DJ's, Bar Staff, Cleaners, Graphic Designers, Local Printing Companies, Fresh Produce Suppliers, Photographers, Artists Booking Agents, Local Hospitality Suppliers, Maintenance and Trade contractors and the list goes on. Up to 700 jobs may be lost in our small town of Airlie Beach alone

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

I am absolutely floored that this is even being proposed. The examples of Kings Cross and Newcastle are for completely different reason and may also be a result of the introduction of more casino licensees. If this policy is implemented our youth of today will surely suffer as we head down the same path of America. Small regional towns will suffer most as they will not even have casinos to fill the gap of venues for socialising with people their own age and youth in regional towns will become more isolated and disenfranchised.

Q: How do you 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 offer a completely different experience to large venues with pokie machines. Gambling is anti social where as nightclubs can offer people chance to mingle, dance and interact with other people. Esp. people of the own age group. Nightclub venues have adapted over the years to provide adequate acoustic measures and soundproofing to allow for loud music, space for dance floors and various safty mechanism, that allow people the freedom to express themselves. Large clubs with pokie machines will not have the necessary requirements to offer spaces for dancing in the same way and this experience will be lost to young people. Illegals Dance

Parties will pop up as people have wanted to dance to relax and socialise since the beginning of mankind.

Q: What are your 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 focus on harsher penalties for the perpetrators of violence. Penalties should include being barred from venues that serve alcohol as also from purchasing alcohol from bottle shops. Mandatory drug and alcohol counselling as well as education on what behaviour is acceptable. More direct communication with youth groups and working closely with all streams of media to offer a better example for young people to follow. I would reduce the licensing fees and music licensing fees for all venues to take the financial pressure off small businesses. I would offer tax incentives for businesses that implemented extra security measures to reduce incidents in and around their venues. I would improve the direct line of communication between venue security and police foot patrols so that anti social behaviour on the street could be dealt with more efficiently and I would also set up police beats in safe night precincts. I would definably foster a widespread education campaign aimed at discouraging young people from acting violently and not just focus of behaviour in venues. Violence is Violence no matter where it occurs and it should be targeted along with Domestic Violence and Other forms of Violence in our community. I would immediately launch a campaign against drugs especially ICE and consider having perpetrators drug tested. I would help fund recovery centres for people with Drug and Alcohol problems. I would also allow the previous government 3 year trial continue in the 15 designated Safe Night Precincts, review the initiatives and reconsider the policy document as at the moment it does not even come close to being appropriate.

Q: Any other comments?

I Urge The Government to allow more time to consult with Industry and especially small independent operators across the state. The Submission Deadline of 23rd of Dec 2015 is totally impractical as most venue owners and managers are flat out preparing for their busiest trading periods and do not have the time to get involved with politics.

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

Im from Brisbane, construction/landscape labourer 6 Days a week

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?

It gives you the ability to experience something different from the usual day to day. See Brisbane in the hours where I'm normally asleep, plus it's great fun.

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It'll just encourage people to drink more faster and not pace themselves. So people will get sicker and drunker quicker. Making it worse to be out. Plus a bunch of my friends will probably lose their 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?

It would mean I get to see less friends while out because we'll all be locked into different clubs and not allowed I leave. It'll take away the magic from the night.

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: Elizabeth Nolan
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Postcode: 4011

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

I work in hospitality and enjoy the Brisbane night m. Eduction is the answer to our drinking culture not restrictions. We can't babysit people forever.

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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Eduction is the answer. We can't babysit people forever about drinking 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 would make going out less deseriable and prompt a binge drinking culture

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

We would have no 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?

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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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Submission by:
Name: David Flynn
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Postcode: 4068

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

I grew up in Brisbane. I have been involved in live music scene as a musician playing at venues since 2004. I have been involved in the advertising / marketing industry since 2008. I worked in traditional advertising agencies and marketing firms, and now hold a position in a group which manages a number of late night venues.

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 work in the marketing team for a late night nightclub and live music venue. We trade past 3am every weekend. The lock out would limit our ability to book the local and international artists we currently do, which (in addition to the lockout) would further damage our ability to pull punters, bring in revenue, support our business and employ our employees.

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 positives. I have been lucky enough to experience some of the best musical performances I have witnessed in Brisbane, supported by the late night economy. Further, some of the most interesting, creative people I have met have been either through socialising in the night time economy, or through contacts in surrounding industries. My current business partners are people I met through the nexus of late-night entertainment. When I think of late night venues, I don't think of violence, alcohol and unrest, I think of great people, amazing music (both Australian and international artists) and passion around arts and culture.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think all of these proposals are overly restrictive and unnecessary. They punish the wide majority of our population without even bothering to try and pinpoint or address the small group of problem individuals who

will continue with anti-social behaviour in other ways / at other times. It also disgusts me that there is a preference given to casinos and gaming. Gambling in no way contributes to arts and culture, or indeed really anything positive to our society 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?

- No longer able to book the standard of acts for our venues we currently do
- Less budget for entertainment = less work for local performers, sound production, lighting techs etc etc
- Less big acts = less patrons. We would be giving our employees less shifts, and we would likely need to let a portion of them go
- Loss of freedoms and

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

It would affect me in the sense that I find it offensive not to be able to order a well made cocktail of my choice after midnight

It would affect our business in that people will not be able to buy more expensive drinks (we lose revenue) It offends my sensibilities that we feel it necessary to regulate peoples action to the point that they take no personal responsibility for what type of drink they should have. Our personal freedoms are greatly eroded my legislation such as this, and it begs a wider question of our society as to whether or not this sort of regulation actually makes us LESS responsible for our actions, by means of removing our ability to actually make responsible decisions when confronted with a real 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. Businesses in Fortitude Valley and other entertainment precincts around the state will close. Jobs will be loss. Musicians will find it even harder to make any sort of possible living out of gigs. Long term or music scene will suffer, and we will likely see less musical output and talented acts coming up through QLD 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?

A ridiculous double standard. What does it say about our society that we would rather support people gambling, fostering a social problem, than support arts and 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?

Incomparable. Pokie machines offer nothing to society, aside from supporting the social issues that occur as a result of problem 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?

Continue to explore and expand upon the Safe Night Out policies. Pinpoint and punish problem offenders. Punish anti-social behaviour on an individual level. Don't target the whole community.

Q: Any other comments?

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

I'm from Gold Coast and work at shooters night club and it's hard enough to land decent hours in club work being one job. Don't do this ! The struggle is real.

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 it's such a great fun job. It's been good that there are a few jobs around the coast as doing bar tending but now it will be one of the hardest jobs to get.

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?

Watching people having fun such a great atmosphere the clubs do such a great job to keep everyone in line and under control. The tips are amazing ! Such great pay always looking for new people and don't need a second job with the times how they are now.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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I think why should casinos be an exception. I feel as if there's an age discrimination things happening. As more mature people use the pokies and casinos though the young ones go clubbing so there's been an unfair spanner been thrown 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?

The level of violence will reach a high forcing everyone to leave at such early times rather than people going on

the own merits. I know personally I'll loose my job. And people who finish work (bar, DJs , waitresses) who finish at 1-3 am who want to go out after won't be able to. 24/7 hr shops will close

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

The clubs are doing tuff how it is don't put that struggle onto the enconmany like that. More and more Aussies are loosing work.

Q: How do you think these changes would affect your local area? Do you foresee businesses closing? 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 clubs will close food shops (pizza fish and chips hot dog shops 7'11)

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 absolutely 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?

The poker machine law will never change. The good thing is that in Gold Coast there's clubs Monday through to Sunday always open so people who's weekends were week days could go out but now it will all come to an end.

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

Gladstone

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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* Exemptions for Casinos - 24 hour trading (and alcohol served)

I don't believe it will do anything to curb violence. It will limit my employment options.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 mean less work opportunities and reduced work hours, both leading to less income, making it harder to support myself and my family.

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?

Yes to all of the above, it will cause a major negative impact.

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

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

Ipswich/ 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.

Purchase entertainment and 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?

Letting of steam. Having a great time with Mates.

Q: What do you think of the government's major proposals?
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Crap. Should not be changed. Most of the revenue is made after 1am. Why are casinos still allowed to operate?
All that is required is a stricter policy on spotting drinker behaviour and not serving the individual showing these behaviours.

Q: How would the proposed wind back in trading hours and changes to Lockouts affect 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 affect my social life. When I go out with my mates. We make the most of it and stay until close providing more revenue for the club.

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

Drinks are not a real issue 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?

Yes is do foresee business closure. I know a lot of businesses rely on the late trade to make ends meat.

Q: How do you feel about the fact that whilst venues that support youth culture (local bands, DJs, contemporary music) will not 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 crap. Where is the equality.

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

Should be the same.

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

Training. Ways to spot and remove people from the venues. Larger fines for people that disrupt the peace.

Q: Any other comments?

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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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