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## **INQUIRY INTO THE REGULATION OF BROTHELS**

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Submission to the Select Committee on the Regulation of Brothels

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To: The Committee Manager	
Select Committee on the Regulation of Brothels Parliament House Macquarie St Sydney NSW 2000	

**My background:** I am heterosexual, But have a few friends whom are Sex Workers. I believe if licensing began I would drive Sex Work underground which will have a negative affect e.g. less safety for the person an increase in HIV. Crime rates including Assaults

**My opinion on the current extent and nature of the brothel industry in New South Wales** I think its fine e.g. Healthy. Safer. Well regulated. Being permitted means Tax, Water rates etc are being payed. Condoms etc are provided Which Obviously Safer for everyone. licensing Would drive it all underground which would have a negative affect on all.

**Current regulation of brothels in New South Wales and other states** In NSW, I know it is regulated successfully. Other states im not to sure.

**Penalties and enforcement powers required to close illegal brothels** There are no illegal brothels in N.S.W. If they are closed down, It would have a very negative affect on all parties, Including the general public & Myself & friends.

**Options for reform including a scheme of registration or licensing system for authorised brothels** I believe  
It's fine how it is. If played with i'd say the only affect would be negative. Driving it underground, which can only be trouble, including the general public. Plus negative health problems such as more S.T.I.s.

**The protection of sex workers, including issues around organised crime and sex trafficking** I don't think it should be regulated by Police, As it would scare a lot of Sex Workers from reporting Crime. Sex Workers would be better protected if included in anti-discrimination laws.

**Options to maintain the high level of public health outcomes** It is fine at the moment if changed there be a lot of kags. Affecting all parties licensing is bad for public health.

**Residential amenity and the location of sex services premises** Brothels are in a lot of Suburbs, Many people don't even know they are sometimes next door their neighbours. They are quiet. I have never heard any complaints. Any changes will only cause problems.

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