

**ADEQUACY OF THE REGULATION OF SHORT-TERM
HOLIDAY LETTING IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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To: The Committee

Adequacy of the regulation of short-term holiday letting in New South Wales (Inquiry)

I am writing to give my support to the "sharing economy", and ensure that Sydney does not miss out on all the benefits that this can bring.

In particular, I wish to support the introduction of services such as "airbnb" and Stayz, which help to provide visitors to Sydney a great experience of our city.

I agree with Jamie Parker, when he says:

"New technologies provide choice, innovation and competition but legitimate regulatory questions have also been raised.

"Without change, NSW will fail to embrace this innovation which can work for both the service provider and the wider community.

"Local councils need support to help manage this new sharing economy and I look forward to submissions from people across New South Wales," said Mr Parker.

Jamie Parker MP, Member for Balmain

I use these services when travelling overseas, and have had great experiences in great cities such as New York and Paris. My daughter has also used these services extensively, which has helped to give her great experiences that she would not otherwise have been able to afford.

We do not need more red tape in this country, and home owners should be entitled to earn some money with a minimum of fuss. We should also not discriminate against those who live in apartments, as this is destined to be how most of us will live one day. We should be able to rent out a room in our house, or our apartment, and we should be able to rent out our entire house, or apartment, if we so choose.

We need to promote schemes that allow us to utilise our assets to the greatest extent. This extends not just to property, but to cars (such as Uber) and all other resources. We need to become clever in how we use our scarce resources, and not simply build more and more hotels, and put more and more cars on the road. We have great opportunities to embrace the future, and we should take them.

Yours sincerely

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