

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

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My wife and I travelled overseas last year and stayed with Air B and B hosts.

The experience was very rewarding and based on this we decided to become a host .

Our children have left home and we had a few spare rooms in the downstairs of our home.

We are also retired and finding our super pensions were quite hard to live on ..despite having contributed to super for the whole of our working life.

The funds we get from Air B and B just mean we aren't depleting our super as much as we were...it's not a huge source of income ...just some funds to help us get by .

The big draw card for us is to meet people from all over the world and to make sure they have the best time possible in our beautiful city.....they would not get this experience staying in a hotel room

I also believe it encourages travellers to return to Sydney ...not only to stay at Air B and B units but to travel further and stay longer.

Hosting travellers and becoming ambassadors for Australia in effect is very rewarding....every guest we have loves their experience ..and we feel by referring them to attractions and restaurants we are significantly helping the local economy.

There are very few hotels or motels where we live ...only a small one for a huge area.....so we are providing a service where hotels don't exist .

This encourages travellers to stay in outer lying areas not usually frequented by travellers...and this gives a big kick to the local businesses.

We would really miss our interaction with guests....and being retired with no kids at home makes us feel useful.

Please bear these issues in mind in the enquiry.

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