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## **SYDNEY'S NIGHT TIME ECONOMY**

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I implore the committee to take into consideration a change from the ground up. I've worked in the industry for the past 7 years, managing and licensing a number of venues, from high risk night clubs, to family bistros.

From my experience, the statute laws and the relationship between police and venues are almost always detrimental to the positive changes that we all want as a community.

1) Please take into consideration of the general downward trend of violence in Sydney. If the sharp drop in incidents is the only thing considered, please compare that to the percentage drop in foot traffic and compare the ratio between the drop in numbers vs the actual incidents.

2) RSA Laws need to be changed. Having recently completed the Licensee and Advanced licensee course- this should be the standard of training across the board.

3) A spread of knowledge about the Liquor laws to the general public. Many are unaware and jump to conclusions leading to anger when implementing some of the actions of the liquor act (such as evicting patrons non indiscriminately when cut off)

4) Have the laws and training that is imposed on the liquor industry, made with the expertise of those who work and practice in the industry

5) More onus on the general public to overall, act like adults, and control their behaviour. Why is the offence only 'permitting intoxication' not 'being intoxicated'. There are many cases where the intoxication level is not the sole cause of behaviour or actions, but rather the general attitude of the patron themselves.

6) Consider the flow off industrys. Killing live music, kills sydney- tourism and domestic expenditure throughout the venues keeps thousands of jobs and the decline in venues has reduced the job market significantly.